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Comedian Bob Marley is coming to Telstar

By ALISON ALOISIO

Comedian Bob Marley, who has appeared on late-night television with Jay Leno and David Letterman, will perform at Telstar High School on April 22.

The performance will benefit the Telstar Football Boosters effort to bring the sport back to the school.

The boosters landed Marley through a connection with Telstar teacher Jim Rose.

"My brother-in-law, who lives in Falmouth and owns a business in Portland, is good friends with Bob's manager," said Rose.

Marley, a Portland native, tells many jokes about life in New England. His first television appearance was on Comedy Central. He performs stand-up comedy around the country, with appearances that include Caesar's Palace, The Mirage, and the Trump Plaza.

Tickets for the 7 p.m. show are on sale at Telstar, the Greenwood Town Office and Bear River Cabins. The cost is \$15, and seating is limited. Unsold tickets will be available at the door. The performance is described as the equivalent of a PG-13 movie.

The Telstar Boosters have raised about \$63,000 of \$70,000 needed to reinstate football at the high school, after an absence of 25 years. For more information on the effort, see Rose's Letter to the Editor on page 2.

Followup to Town Meetings Seames resigns as Greenwood fire chief

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Greenwood is once again looking for a new fire chief.

On Tuesday, town selectmen accepted the resignation of Raymond Seames, who had held the position since 1998.

Seames had handed his resignation in to the Town Office on Monday, less than a week after Greenwood's annual Town Meeting, at which voters approved a new Fire Department Ordinance.

At the meeting, Seames had urged voters to reject the ordinance as it was written.

He agreed an ordinance was needed, he said, but he and other firefighters objected to several provisions in the version under consideration.

On a secret ballot, however, voters approved the ordinance 25-20.

Among the provisions Seames objected to was a new

process for selecting a fire chief.

In the past, the chief was nominated by town firefighters and approved by the Board of Selectmen.

The new ordinance, however, calls for a candidate for chief to submit an application, be screened against the requirements of the town Personnel Policy, then be interviewed by a panel made up of the town selectmen, town manager and four members of the Fire Department.

That panel then makes a recommendation on the appointment, subject to confirmation of the Board of Selectmen.

The Greenwood selectmen will now have the opportunity to put the new process through its first test.

Until a new chief is selected,

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Backhoe goes back to Woodstock voters

By ALISON ALOISIO

At last week's annual Town Meeting, Woodstock voters rejected a plan to lease a backhoe for the town at \$14,000 a year.

On April 18, they'll decide at a special Town Meeting what to do next — and one option will be to go ahead with the backhoe lease.

Selectmen this week put two backhoe-related articles on the warrant for the upcoming meeting.

The first asks if townspeople wish to purchase, for \$30,000, the backhoe the town has leased for the past six years.

That seemed to be the intent at the annual Town Meeting. The backhoe had been leased at a cost of \$7,000 a year. Selectmen recommended continuing the lease — but on a new backhoe — at a cost of \$14,000 a year.

But voters balked at the dou-

bled cost, and one suggested it would be better to buy and own the six-year-old backhoe.

A second chance to lease

If townspeople make that choice again on April 18, they would presumably vote down the second article, which simply restates the one defeated last week.

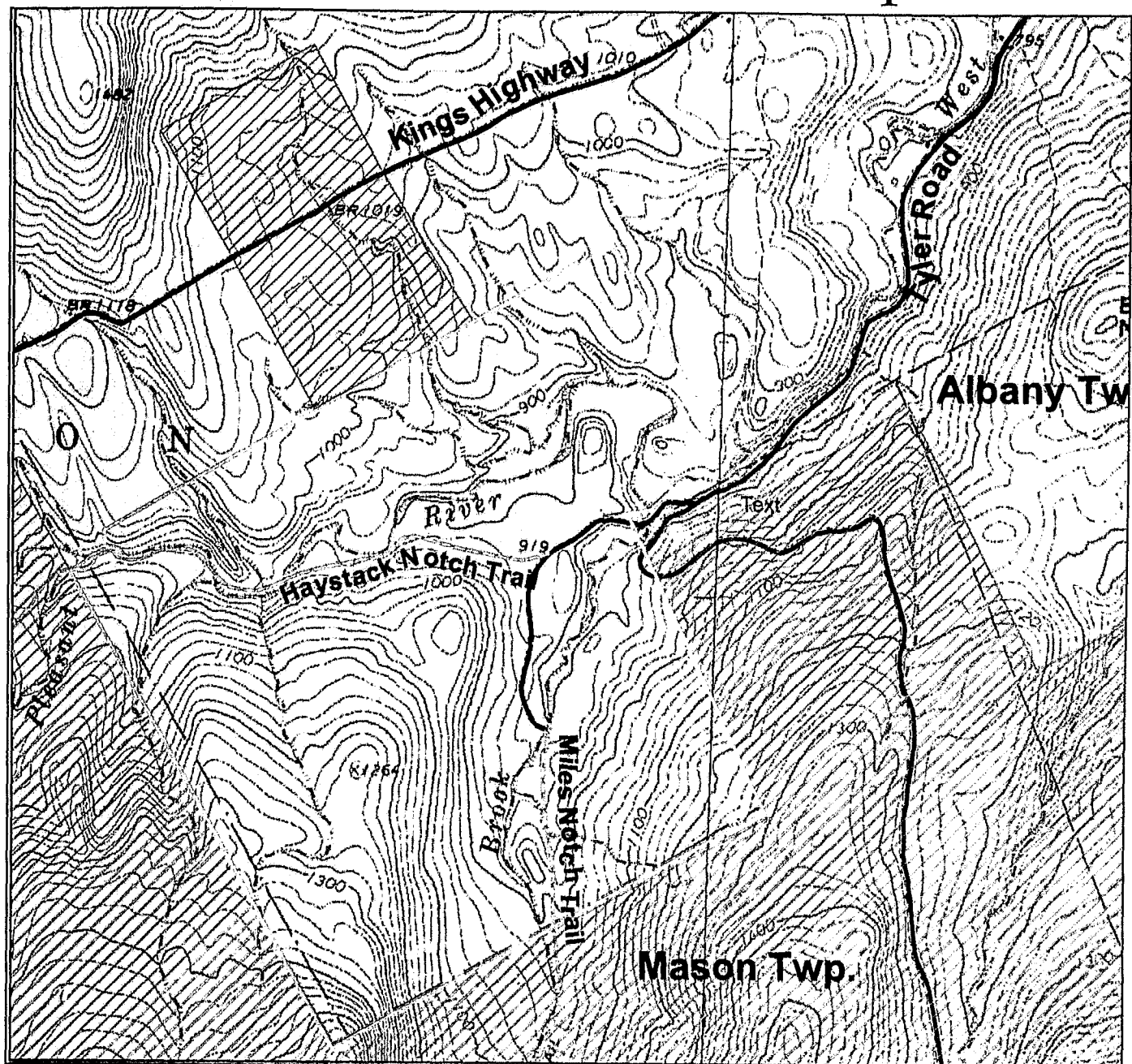
Selectmen included it because they want voters to have the chance to take a second look at leasing. At Tuesday's selectmen's meeting, Town Manager Vern Maxfield was still favoring that option.

"It's so practical and cost effective that we hate to change," he said. "I think it's a smarter move to get a new machine (to lease)."

In considering the doubling of the lease cost, Maxfield noted that the cost of a new car today can also be double that of

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Proposed 664-acre WMNF purchase



The map shows the approximate dimensions of a 664-acre parcel of land in Mason that the U.S. Forest Service is interested in purchasing. White Mountain National Forest land abuts the property on three sides. Legend: property boundaries—red lines; roads—black lines; streams and rivers—broken blue lines; hiking trails—broken pink lines; WMNF land—green cross-hatching.

(Map provided by Serena Williams, with assistance from the WMNF)

Petition asks that 664 acres in Mason be added to WMNF

By ALISON ALOISIO

A grassroots effort is underway to save a 664-acre parcel of land in Mason Township from development by getting the White Mountain National Forest to purchase it.

The parcel, which has recently been logged, is bordered on three sides by WMNF land. Advertised for sale by Lloyd's Land, the asking price is \$499,000. The land is former Mead Paper Co. property.

There are two popular trailheads on the parcel. They provide access to the Caribou-Speckled Mountain Wilderness. The headwaters of the West Branch of the Pleasant River are also located on the land.

Mason resident Serena Williams said she has circulated among residents a letter sup-

porting the purchase. At least one person from all but one of Mason's 26 households signed it, she said. She has a total of 42 signatures.

Parcel includes two popular trailheads

Williams has submitted the letter to the Oxford County Commissioners.

"Mason Township residents recognize the importance of conservation, and the attached signatures are a declaration of support for the WMNF efforts to purchase this parcel of land," Williams wrote in the letter.

The county oversees Mason Township, because it is not an

incorporated town. A letter of approval from the commissioners would be needed for the purchase effort to go forward.

Williams is also encouraging people to write to Maine's U.S. Senators and Representatives.

WMNF interested

Dave Neely, assistant district ranger, said the WMNF is "actively pursuing" the tract of land. "We have a willing seller," he said. "But we're limited in what we can offer."

The Forest Service cannot offer more than fair market value, he said. An appraisal of the property would be required as part of the process.

"We're trying to move as quickly as we can," said Neely.

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15-year Forest Plan approved

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The White Mountain National Forest can go ahead with a new 15-year management plan that bans most all-terrain vehicles and keeps logging around its current level, forest officials said last week.

The plan was released last November, but the public and interest groups, including environmentalists and ATV users, had until the end of February to object to it.

U.S. Forest Service officials in Washington told White Mountain Forest Supervisor Tom Wagner last Monday that no one had filed an administrative ap-

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'Pay-per-bag' will get another look in Bethel

By MICHAEL DANIELS

With "go and throw" at the Tri-Town Transfer Station becoming more and more of a tax burden, perhaps it's finally time to switch to "pay as you throw."

"Pay as you throw" (aka "pay per bag") is a system of allocating the cost of municipal solid-waste disposal on the basis of how much waste a given household or business actually generates.

Proponents argue such a system reduces waste, increases recycling, reduces the tax burden, and that it is fairer than

spreading waste disposal costs uniformly across a town's tax base.

As of last month, 140 towns and townships in Maine (covering about a quarter of the state's population) had adopted some form of "pay per throw" system.

The idea has also come up in Bethel, in past discussion of solid-waste disposal costs, but it has never progressed beyond the discussion stage — in large part because of complaints by some business owners that it would increase their own costs, and also be-

cause of fears such a system would lead to an increase in illegal dumping.

And it came up again Monday, in a discussion by the Board of Selectmen of the town's future solid waste alternatives.

"Several features and topics concerning the town's solid waste and recycling program are converging at this time," Town Manager Scott Cole wrote in a memo to the board.

The current transfer station, which is run by the towns of Bethel, Newry and Hanover, is facing changes Cole said, and

public buy-in is needed before a coherent plan of action can be developed and implemented.

"While the Tri-Town Committee recommends policy changes to the towns' respective selectmen," Cole wrote, "it has become apparent that additional public input will be needed to form a consensus on the long-term direction of operations and related capital expenditure."

Past attempts to improve the transfer station had died on

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Letters

THEIR WORDS MEAN NOTHING

To the Editor:

Well, Greenwood had their Town Meeting and the selectmen pushed through their agenda on firefighters and several other articles. Some see it as a victory; I see it as a town divided. The vote was 25 to 20 and split about the same on several articles. I can't say if this was along party lines, for I belong to no party because I don't need a party to tell me how to vote.

I do know the selectmen sat down with the fire chief and firemen to work out a new ordinance, one we agreed on. Then the selectmen did just as they wanted. Their words mean nothing; this was just a power play plain and simple.

The town had an ordinance in place, but Marie Bartlett never put it into the records.

Yes, Marie, you were one of the selectmen and the secretary in 1996 and you were responsible. I meant what I said, I will not work volunteer or not for a bunch of underhanded selectboard.

Marie Bartlett called me childish for what I said. Well Alan Seames and Fran Piccirillo quit because they could not have their own way and had words with the chief.

Life is too short to play games with the politics and selectmen. The whole thing was about the Locke Mills station. What about the Greenwood City station? There were five to seven firefighters within two minutes of it.

I would like to thank the selectmen for taking a cut in pay, for the article as written says the board will receive \$150 per month; it does not say each selectmen. Anything above that would be embezzling.

Albert Curtis Sr.
Greenwood City

BOB MARLEY AT TELSTAR

To the Editor:

Well-known Maine comedian Bob Marley will be performing at the Telstar High School Auditorium at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 22, to benefit the Telstar Football Boosters in their quest to meet the funding goal for the re-establishment of high school football in SAD44.

Currently the boosters committee has raised approximately \$63,000 of the required \$70,000; however, they have already exceeded the \$45,000 cash threshold and are able to accept pledges due in 2007 to make up the balance.

The proceeds from the show will be added to the cash account.

A noticeable increase in area contributions has arisen in the past year, including the dinner benefits at the Gideon Hastings House and L'Auberge, and all of the can/bottle returnable donations from the Mt. Abram Ski Area throughout their entire season, that have helped to significantly close the funding gap.

Tickets for the show are on sale at three locations: the Greenwood Town Office, Telstar High School Main Office, and Bear River Cabins.

The cost is \$15 per ticket and seating is limited. Any unsold tickets will be available at the door on the night of the performance.

The Bob Marley team advises parents to consider the show the equivalent of a PG-13 movie.

Upon successful completion of the fundraising goals, the SAD44 area will have a complete football program in place for the first time in nearly 25 years.

Starting with a foundation of grades three through six, which began last fall with the creation of the Greenwood Spartans, the new high school program would couple with a new seventh and eighth grade team that will be fielded this fall under the recreation sponsorship of the town of Woodstock to provide up to 10 years of football experience for local youth.

A proposal was given to the Woodstock board of selectmen in February to provide the insurance coverage for a middle school age team, which they agreed to in March.

Tim O'Connor, who currently teaches at Telstar Middle/High School will be the head coach of the middle school team, which will be independent of the school system.

The team will petition for inclusion to an existing league of middle school teams including Mt. Valley, Jay/Livermore, Leavitt, Oxford Hills, Mt. Blue, and Gardiner among others. The yet-to-be-named Woodstock team will begin play this fall upon being accepted into the league. Several of next year's seventh graders will have football experience as they played this past fall on the fifth and sixth grade Greenwood Spartans.

As for the Greenwood Spartans, co-head coaches Andy Helms of Bryant Pond and Andy Wheeler of Greenwood will guide the fifth and sixth grade team this coming year, while I will be the head coach of next year's third and fourth grade team with the help of Dan Wheeler and Fred Johnson.

Interested students from grades two through seven should expect notification about informational meetings and equipment sizing sessions near the end of the school year.

For those wanting more information prior to then, the coaches may be reached as follows: Tim O'Connor 824-0360; Andy Helms 665-3211; Andy Wheeler 875-2950; and Jim Rose 824-4676.

Anyone interested in making a pledge or cash donation to the high school effort can send a written letter of intent (for a pledge) or check and mail it to Telstar Football Boosters at Telstar High School, 285 Walker's Mill Road, Bethel.

Jim Rose
Bethel

SAINT PATRICK'S DINNER THANKS

To the Editor:

The Telstar Football Boosters would like to extend a huge thank you to Doron and Sharon Hauendel for serving a "Saint Patrick's Dinner" at the L'Auberge on March 16 and 17. Many thanks to all of you who came out to support the future football players of SAD44 by attending dinner.

We would also like to thank those who volunteered behind the scenes. They include: Jodie and Drew Wilson, Brad and Brenda Wight, Gerald (Brooma) Broomhall, Corey Howard, Jamie Corey, Tim, Terri, and TJ O'Connor.

Thank you.

Tim O'Connor
For the Telstar Football Boosters

A BYWAY IS A SPECIAL PLACE TO BE

To the Editor:

Have you ever spent any time staring in awe at the magnificent vista of Evans Notch? If you have, you did not get there by accident. You were there because you wanted to get away from the world, which is precisely what a scenic byway is all about.

You can hike, bike or drive through Evans Notch. Unless you reserve its pleasures for the winter when its unplowed surface allows you to snowmobile through it. You might be there for a picnic, to take photographs, either personal or professional, or to compete in a race whether on foot, wheels or sled. You might even have a backpacking tent in your rucksack and a notebook for your thoughts. One thing is certain; you came to Evans Notch because it is a special place to be.

The National Byways program was started as a means of promoting designated roads of special distinction that possess one or more intrinsic qualities; natural, scenic, historic, cultural, recreational and/or archeological. Byways respect the roads it markets, so it does not want them loved to death. Maine's state byway program pledges to promote economic prosperity by showcasing its roads through a sustainable balance of conservation and land use.

Getting into such a program is not easy. There are only 10 byways in Maine, but they represent all three levels of the program. Maine has six state byways, three national byways and one All-American road at Acadia National Park. All are grassroots projects that are managed by their communities.

Late last year, the Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments, in partnership with the Western Maine Cultural Alliance and the Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission, received a grant from the Maine Department of Transportation to prepare an eligibility application for state byways designation for Route 113 from Standish to Gilead and Route 2 from Gilead to Bethel. The focus of WMCA is the northern end, Fryeburg to Bethel.

Fryeburg has already endorsed this project with the following words, "There is little doubt that such a designation would enhance economic activity through the creation of a more robust 'cultural tourism' base and expand the capability to highlight the natural and scenic beauty of the Route 113 corridor. Both of these aspects, and many others, of the byway initiative are critically important to the town of Fryeburg."

Toni Seger
Director, Western Maine Cultural Alliance

JUST WHEN I THOUGHT IT WAS SAFE ...

To the Editor:

Just when I thought it was safe to go walking in the woods, again, now I have to worry about feral llamas! By the way, does anyone know how Sonny Hastings made out with those condos he built on the Intervale a few years ago?

Nina R. Mollicone
East Bethel

HIGHER, FASTER, BETTER, MORE

To the Editor:

It seems like everyone I know is dissatisfied in some way with their life. Not only are they dissatisfied with who they have become, people are angry because they have begun to notice who they have always been. Generation X is American as apple pie, American greedy, lazy, video game playing, credit card using, SUV driving and still wanting more. After all, it is the American way to want higher, faster, better, more, no?

Me generation is caught in a bind because we also want a cleaner environment, more equality in pay and human rights, and an end to war. Because each of us knows we want life to be better, because we know each of us would have to give up something, (such as our relatively low gas prices compared to the rest of the world), we look away, blame someone else and buy another thing to assuage our anger at ourselves for adding to this mess.

I have noticed that we Americans are proud of our addictions. Eyes flutter, looking askance as if telling a deep secret, saying "I am a shopaholic." That seems like a confession, a dirty secret, but really its pride. Pride about having the financial means to be a shopper, a consumer. Pride that they are being a "little bad" like those handsome bad guys all over the television and movie screens, those bad girls on "Desperate Housewives"; whom secretly, everyone wants to be.

That little admission to a friend, "I am a caffeine addict," aka I spend thousands of dollars on Starbucks coffee every year or in other circles; "yeah I can hold my liquor," or "I can handle that weed," or "I can tweak like the best of them," or "I have rolled (tripped) a hundred times," that is pride.

It is the pride of belonging to a specific few, to a group, to a tribe of sorts. It is pride of an identity formed out of the rites of passage with others with whom you wished you belonged, or deemed as desirable.

The same can be said of many outspoken, fundamentalist spiritual and political leaders as well. For them it is all about creating an "other"; creating an "enemy" creating someone who is "less than" so we can all feel better about who we are. It can be said of any tree-hugging, green party eco-terrorist as well, who pridefully boasts about their organic fabrics and buying their organic food, and of how much "better" they are than the rest of us.

I, too, am guilty. I, too, have been taught to reach for more than I am, to always strive for better, to brag when I got it, to be in all aspects an acculturated greedy, prideful modern American. I am a prideful American who owes more than I probably will ever make in my life, because I believed that I needed to go to the best college, rather than any college. I have been caught in the snare of credit card debt along with the rest of my generation X peers. We owe more than any generation before. Believe me, those cards are a prideful addiction as well, we all feel guilty about our debt, but we keep adding to it, showing off our new laptops, or computer games, secret eBay addicts all of us. We drive all over God's creation guzzling gas and putting it on the plastic.

Can we beat this culture of addiction? (Is admission the first step?) Can each of us decide to give up just a little bit, to drive a little less, to turn off a light, to unplug a television, to grow a garden, to write to the senators?

When will we decide that we have enough? Enough of everything, enough food to feed everyone here in the United States? Enough money to provide healthcare for all of our citizens? Enough power to be able to negotiate, rather than invade and kill people?

Enough is enough.

Naya Blue
Bethel

Chief

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Seame's assistant chief, Ken Card, will run the department, according to Town Manager Kim Sparks.

Sparks said Wednesday morning that she planned to meet with the department's firefighters that evening to discuss the situation.

She said she had no idea how long the fire-chief selection process would take.

Curtis resigns

One of the firefighters who joined Seames in arguing against the new ordinance at Town Meeting, Albert Curtis Sr., has followed up on a

threat he made at the meeting to resign if the ordinance passed, Sparks said.

She said that to the best of her knowledge no other firefighters have resigned, and Seames himself planned to stay on with the department, but not as its chief.

Backhoe

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one purchased six years ago. And, he said, buying the current backhoe will increase this year's mill rate by .25 mills, while going with the lease will increase it by .12.

If townspeople opt for the purchase, Maxfield said he does not recommend taking the \$30,000 from the existing Highway Equipment Reserve Account.

Those funds will be needed for the future purchase of a new truck, he said.

If the town does buy the cur-

rent backhoe, newly elected selectman Rick Young said he doesn't think it's worth keeping it more than a total of 10 years.

"After 10 years, you still have an investment to trade in," he said. "Ten years, and you should be out of it."

He estimated the machine would be worth \$10,000 to \$15,000 after 10 years.

Maxfield said that over that time, the town would probably have to put between \$5,000 and \$10,000 in repair costs into the

backhoe.

Selectman Bruce Korhonen said the board had researched their options for the backhoe for four months before putting the new lease proposal on the annual Town Meeting warrant.

But, acknowledged Maxfield, "It was [the voters'] right to turn it down, and we weren't prepared to do anything else."

The April 18 special meeting starts at 6 p.m. at the Town Office.

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson
10 years ago: An increasing number of local loggers were carrying cellular phones into the woods with them for reasons of both safety and convenience.

Five fifth graders, the Crescent Park Cruisers, raised \$4,085 for Maine Handicapped Skiing at the 11th annual ski-a-thon.

Andover Elementary School students held a Curriculum Fair.

Births: Melody Marie Hinkley, Brendan Michael Cordwell.

Deaths: Eleanor A. Emmons, Oscar M Taylor, Nona E. Glazier, Roland C. Fyrberg, Walter J. Patrick, Sr., Richard "Dicky" Baker.

20 years ago: Bethel Area Health Center officials symbolically broke ground to mark the start of renovations to the former A&P building on Railroad Street.

In a stunning upset, Andover voters refused to accept the new ladder truck purchased by the Andover Firemen's Association.

Robert G. Betz was named plant manager of Gilbert Mfg. Corp. (formerly Ekco Wood Products) in Locke Mills.

Births: Garth Raymond Retallack, Kianne Janine Merrill.

Deaths: Edith Hayes Eypper, Sadie R. Herrick, Rhoda M. Vatcher.

30 years ago: Fred Mason, age 86, was presented the Boston Post Cane as the oldest resident of Locke Mills.

Mrs. R.M. Fleet, Sunday River, reported seeing the first robin of the season.

Fire destroyed the home of Bob and Sylvia Johnson in North Paris.

Deaths: Mrs. Miriam R. Boyker, Frederick R. MacKenzie, James E. Currier.

40 years ago: Sunday River Skiway reported a 95 percent cover and 14 to 18 inch base, and anticipated good skiing until mid-April.

Bill Eames won the first-place cup in the poetry division of the second annual Mountain Valley Conference Public Speaking Contest.

The town crew was busy patching roads and sweeping streets.

Death: Helen D. Robinson.

50 years ago: About 150 people took advantage of the Bethel Health Council's free blood typing program during the first week it was offered.

John Greenleaf was Oxford County delegate to the Farm and Home Week at Orono.

Bryant's Market was celebrating its 80th anniversary.

Births: Eugene Turner, Sandra Lee Saucier.

Deaths: John A. Angevine, Mrs. Mary Achenbach.

60 years ago: The Bethel Girl Scouts Mother and Daughter Banquet was held at the American Legion Home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carter returned to Bethel to make their home after living in La Tuque, Canada, for some time.

Ola A. Olson sold his place on the Branch, Newry, and moved to West Paris.

Deaths: Osgood J. Swan, Mrs. Dorothy Mills Amee.

70 years ago: Flood debris from Maine rivers was reported to be a menace to navigation off the coast south of Portland.

The Bethel Townsend Club held a meeting in Odeon Hall. Mr. Oliver, candidate for Representative to Congress was the speaker.

Deaths: Mrs. Lydia M. Goodwin, Mrs. Addie M.S. Stone.

80 years ago: There was a snowfall of 12 inches on April 3rd.

A large crowd attended the auction at the W.W. Hastings home on Broad Street. (Now the Gideon Hastings House restaurant.)

Influenza, mumps and measles were prevalent in town.

Death: Mrs. Wallace B. Cummings

100 years ago: A progressive whist party was held at the new Grange Hall in East Bethel.

Marriages: Minnie Godwin and Adelmarr Stearns, Ruby Clark and William Eldridge.

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Briefly

Brown will not seek another term

BETHEL — Selectman Reggie Brown told his fellow board members Monday evening that he does not plan to seek another term on the board. Brown, whose current term ends in June, has served three terms on the board. He gave no reason for his decision not to run again. His seat is the sole selectmen's seat that will be open this year.

SAD44 personnel get raise

BETHEL — The SAD44 School Board last week approved an agreement with the AFSCME union, representing the district's custodians, bus drivers, kitchen staff and other support personnel. The agreement calls for a 3 percent pay increase for each of the next three years, an increase in meal reimbursement for long trips, and an insurance adjustment to reflect the impact of a 5 percent insurance increase on the current formula used for health insurance, Superintendent Dave Murphy said.

MCS scholarships

BRYANT POND — The Maine Conservation School has received support from the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, L.L. Bean, Inc., and the Penobscot County Conservation Association, and it will soon have funds from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Moose Permit Auction to provide scholarships for its summer camp programs. Other local groups have also provided funding in various amounts, and the school continues to receive support throughout the season. Please contact Joyce or Heather in the office for current scholarship availability. Now in its 50th year, the Maine Conservation School's summer camp and school programs have introduced children and adults to a unique blend of safe outdoor fun, environmental education, and practical outdoor skills since 1956. For more information: visit www.meconservation-school.org or contact mcsops@megalink.net, or call 665-2068.

T'ai Chi starts next week

BETHEL — T'ai Chi classes will be held Wednesday mornings from 10 to 11:15 a.m. April 12 thru 26. The classes will feature a special 12-posture very short form that is excellent for seniors. T'ai Chi is an ancient Chinese movement art. Recent medical research in the U.S. has shown T'ai Chi lowers blood pressure, significantly improves balance, and increases respiratory capacity. The classes will be taught by Betsey Foster, MPH, who has studied T'ai Chi since 1988 and taught since 1993. She currently studies with Dr. Yang, Jwing-ming (Boston). Class will be held at Toe Tappin' Jazz Dance Studio, Lower Main Street, Bethel, and is part of the Creative Economy Education Initiative Program of SAD44. For further information and to register, please call Betsey Foster at 875-2426.

Protection from abuse for pets

AUGUSTA — Pets as well as people can be protected from domestic violence under a new law that expands the scope of court orders. Gov. John Baldacci signed what he described as a first-in-the-nation law that allows a judge to include pets in protection-from-abuse orders. Civil penalties for harming a pet in violation of a court order includes fines and jail time. "With this new law we hope to help remove another tool for emotional and physical violence used by abusers in their effort to exert power and control over their victims," he said. Baldacci, who has two springer spaniels named Sam and Murphy, signed the bill Friday in a ceremony with anti-domestic violence and animal protection advocates. Gretchen Ziemer of the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence said many people are unaware of the link between animal abuse and domestic violence. "This is such a large barrier to people seeking safety," she said. "A perpetrator will use anything that the victim cares about or loves for control." Maine Public Safety Commissioner Michael Cantara cited the case of a battered woman whose yard became a real-life "pet cemetery" because her husband killed pets to send a message to the woman and her children that they'd better follow his rules. "Her abuser kept telling her that what had happened to those animals was going to happen to her. This is not a unique case," Cantara said. Police officers often watch for signs of animal abuse on domestic calls, just as animal welfare officers look for signs of domestic abuse, he said. "Violence is violence," Cantara said. "Where there is animal cruelty in the home, chances are someone else is being hurt, too." Anne Jordan of the Animal Welfare Advisory Council said the idea for the law came from a presentation to the Maine State Bar Association about a connection between domestic abuse and animal abuse. The bill was sponsored by Rep. John Piotti, D-Unity. Jill Morris, the public policy director at the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, told The New York Times that some judges are including animals in protection orders but that she had not heard of another law like Maine's.

Rural Northeast loses jobs

DURHAM, N.H. — The rural Northeast had the highest rate of job displacement of any region in the country during a recent six-year period, with low-skill workers at the highest risk of losing jobs for good, according to a report released Thursday. The loss of rural jobs was particularly high in the manufacturing sector, the report by the Carsey Institute at the University of New Hampshire said. The rate of loss was higher in the rural Northeast than in the rest of rural America, it found. The report, which analyzed job-displacement figures from around the country between 1997 and 2003, found that the key causes fueling the rural job loss have been a push for cost-savings through automation and cheaper labor overseas. The recent announcement of two paper mills shutting down in the region, one in Old Town, Maine, and the other in Berlin, N.H., is an example of that reality, the institute said. The report relies on data collected in the Displaced Workers Survey, conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau every other year.

Turkeys becoming a road hazard

AUGUSTA — Drivers have more than moose and deer to worry about on Maine roads. With a growing wild turkey population in Maine and mating season in full swing, motorists are seeing more of the birds crossing the Maine Turnpike these days. Not all of them succeed. On Wednesday morning, a turkey met its end when it crashed into the windshield of a vehicle, bounced off and landed on the highway. It was the third accident involving a turkey that Trooper Robert Andreasen has handled in the past two weeks on the stretch of highway between Lewiston and Falmouth. Earlier Wednesday morning, Andreasen almost collided with a turkey himself when one of the birds flew next to his cruiser. The turkeys started showing up on the highway about five years ago, Andreasen said. "They're all over the place," he said. Maine's wild turkey population is estimated at 20,000, which is double the number in 2000, said Mark Latti, spokesman for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Male turkeys can grow to about four feet high and weigh more than 20 pounds. They usually stay on the ground, but occasionally break into flight when they are startled or threatened. This is now mating season, with nesting taking place later in the spring. When love's in the air, the turkeys aren't going to be deterred by the highway traffic from following their instincts.

From the Bethel Police Log:

Monday, April 3

At 8:19 a.m. Chief Alan Carr took a report from a Bailey Road resident that a digital camera and charger, valued at about \$200, had been stolen about two weeks earlier.

Sunday, April 2

At 10:10 a.m. Officer T.J. Reese stopped a male who was walking on the Mayville Road. He had cuts on his face, his front teeth had been knocked out, and he seemed confused. Bethel Rescue was called to check him, but he refused transport.

Saturday, April 1

At 4 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White took a report of telephone harassment. A subject was to be notified to stop the calls.

At 7:35 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White received a report from the Fire Department of a 20-gallon fuel leak at a Route 2 gas station.

At 8:50 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White arrested Carolyn A. Nelson, 41, of Newry on the Walkers Mills Road for OUI.

Friday, March 31

At 2:05 p.m. Chief Alan Carr responded to the Grover Hill Road for a 911 call. A child had been playing with the phone.

At 8:45 p.m. on Broad Street Sgt. S.R. White arrested Philip S. Dizney, 38, of Walpole, Mass. for a warrant from Somerset County on failure to appear for arraignment, for attaching false plates.

Wednesday, March 29

At 12:24 a.m. Officer Travis Fillmore assisted the Fire Department with an oil leak at a Route 2 gas station.

At 5:25 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White assisted state police at a domestic incident on the Songo Pond Road in Albany.



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in case other buyers come into play.

Lloyd Poland, of Lloyd's Land, said he would like to sell to the WMNF.

"My first preference would be to sell to the National Forest," Poland said Tuesday. "I think it should be part of the public land. It's just a matter of whether we can put it all together."

The Forest Service also hopes to work with the Trust for Public Land, which can serve as an intermediary in such situations, Neely said.

And although WMNF "has a good funding source" for such purchases, Neely said, it's possible that administrative costs could get in the way.

Katey Stuart, WMNF district ranger, said it would be important to have the support of

Maine's Congressional delegation. She said the New Hampshire delegation has been active in supporting public land acquisition in that state.

Follows the Weeks Act
Neely said the WMNF sees the land as a valuable asset to the forest.

"Whenever possible, especially in Maine, where we don't have much, we want to acquire land," he said.

He said that with the headwaters of the West Branch located on the parcel, the purchase would directly follow the intent of the federal Weeks Act of 1911.

The Weeks Act specifically authorized the purchases of forested land at the headwaters of navigable streams. The lands were to be included in the National Forest System.

The act allowed the creation of National Forests in the East, at a time when there were no public domain lands.

Neely also said there is potential for the West Branch to receive wild river designation.

Wild river areas are characterized as being unpolluted, with primitive watersheds or shorelines, and generally inaccessible except by trail.

Such designation leads to management to preserve the character of the river. Any recreational use must be compatible with preservation goals.

In addition, said Neely, the parcel would provide permanent access to areas where the WMNF has plans for wood harvesting and management.

More than just hiking
Mason resident John Applin said he and his wife, Pauline,

support the purchase.

"It's a good recreational area. I frequently run there in the summer, and we cross-country ski in the winter," he said.

He said a lot of other people also use it, with fishermen being frequent visitors this time of year.

Applin also said any kind of development would affect the river, and he would like to see it protected.

Longtime Mason resident, Ina Grover, said she and her husband, Rupert, also support the effort to buy the land.

"I think it's a good thing," she said. "It's better than to be developing it."

She said her family had traditionally used the land for such activities as fishing.

"It would be good to be able to still do it," she said.

Pay-per-bag

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the doorstep of the Bethel Budget Committee, Cole said.

"The Tri-Town group has no credibility with the Budget Committee," he told the selectmen. "We've brought in a couple of different plans, cost estimates and everything gets scoffed at and pooh-poohed."

The board discussed several aspects of the current solid waste situation and future options Monday, but two aspects dominated the conversation: pay-per-bag and greater enforcement of existing regulations.

Selectman Dennis Doyon argued that with more and more Maine communities opting for pay-per-bag, "I think it really ought to be looked at as a viable option."

Selectman Reggie Brown raised the question of increased illegal dumping, but Doyon responded that the experience of other towns should indicate whether that is, or is not, a problem.

"I think there's enough towns doing it now that we can get some facts saying it is or isn't happening," Doyon said.

Stan Howe, chairman of the board, said that pay-per-bag had the potential "to upgrade our recycling tremendously, and that would also bring in some income possibly."

The town currently spends \$101 a ton to dispose of solid waste, Cole said, but if the material is recycled the cost drops to \$75 to \$85 a ton.

"So what's at play is 20 to 25 bucks a ton," he said.

Enforcement
There was general agreement Monday that one way the three towns could cut back on solid waste costs would be to tighten enforcement of existing regulations — especially regarding who dumps material at the transfer station and how much they dump.

Doyon said that when he was at the transfer station on a recent Saturday, "half the

vehicles that were there didn't have a dump sticker on the windshield."

And those that are at the station are too often dumping more material — especially construction debris — than they are allowed.

Current regulations limit the amount of construction debris that can be disposed of to one pickup-truck load per day on each of the three days the station is open each week.

The limit, however, is routinely ignored, especially by some contractors, including those disposing of materials from jobs outside of the three towns.

Better enforcement could greatly reduce the volume of such illegal material, argued Peter Mason, a member of the Budget Committee.

"If you enforce [the limit] and make it inconvenient for the big guys then they would get their own dumpster," said Mason.

A proposal is currently under consideration for an amendment to the Town Code that would require an on-site dumpster for all construction or renovation projects over \$25,000.

Selectman Jack Cross supported the requirement.

"We've got to do something with these contractors. I think they need to have a dumpster. I really do."

Cole agreed that enforcement at the transfer station could be tightened.

"It's Third World out there," he said, but he also noted that increased enforcement would probably necessitate paying for another attendant.

"There's a lot of angles to this and a lot of tradeoffs," Cole said.

The selectmen agreed to have the Tri-Town Committee, beefed up with some outside volunteers, look further at the solid waste situation and come up with proposals for changes.

WMNF

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peal — a necessary step before bringing a lawsuit — so the plan will take effect, he said.

The Forest Service began work on the plan in 1997, holding more than 100 public meetings and accepting more than 6,000 written comments over nine years, so employees were "elated" to learn it had passed the final hurdle, Wagner said.

He commended all the organizations, state agencies and individuals who worked on the plan, which updates one approved in 1986.

"The commitment to work together toward a solution and willingness to accept the trade-offs is the New England way of doing business," he said.

Under the final plan, 47 percent of the nearly 800,000-acre forest can be used for campgrounds, trails, ski areas, snowmobiles and other high-impact activities. "Dispersed recreation," such as snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and hiking will be allowed in the rest of the forest.

The plan restricts ATV use to designated winter trails and open roads. ATV groups had been pushing for summer trails, but the state's recent decision to develop a year-round, 7,000-acre ATV park on neighboring land in Berlin gives them an alternative, said Alexis Jackson, spokeswoman for the national forest.

"It allowed people to know

there were other areas where they could have that kind of experience," she said.

The plan also calls for setting aside 34,500 acres as wilderness that cannot be developed in any way, in addition to 114,000 acres already under wilderness protection. That part of the plan must be approved by Congress.

Barbara Riley, spokeswoman for U.S. Sen. John Sununu, said he and Sen. Judd Gregg, both New Hampshire Republicans, would introduce a bill later in the week to protect more wilderness areas.

Conservation groups had hoped to see as much as 100,000 additional acres designated as wilderness. But Jack

Savage, spokesman for the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, said that overall, the new plan is a good one.

"We would have liked to see a few different things, and other groups would have liked to see a few different things, but ultimately it's a fair compromise among everybody's agendas," he said.

The amount of timber that can be harvested each year was reduced from 35 million board feet in the 1986 plan to 24 million board feet in the current plan, but officials said the new figure is closer to what is actually being harvested now. Logging interests had wanted to keep the higher limit

PUBLIC NOTICE The Bethel Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing

Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at 6:45 p.m. in the Bethel Town Office on the following Site Plan Application:

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Bethel



by Virginia Keniston

Ann and Eldon Greenleaf's grandson, Josh, is a member of Fryeburg Academy jazz band, "The Headhunters," which won the State Championship and was also awarded the State Outstanding Musicianship in Drums.

The Red Hat Ladies will celebrate spring with breakfast at The Sudbury Inn on Friday (tomorrow) at 8 a.m.

The host for Lenten Luncheon at West Bethel Union Church this week, Thursday at noon, will be the Bethel Methodist Church women. Geoffrey Gross will be the speaker, "It is finished."

The spinning group met Wednesday at the Congregational Church for spinning and luncheon.

Historical Society
The members of the GHS are busily working on their assignments for the Friends and Family Day to be held on June 24. There are lots of things to be accomplished before then. They still need volunteers to help before and on the day of the event. They are also looking for vendors to set up, so if anyone is interested, the GHS can be contacted through the information at the end of the column.

Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com with any news for the column or to contact the GHS.

Andover



by Melinda Averill

Attention Andover kids: baseball and softball sign-up sheets are now available.

If your child hasn't brought one home from school, they are available at the stores or at the Town Office. The completed forms should be returned to the town office or mailed to Andover Recreation Committee, P.O. Box 219, Andover, by noon on April 10.

Welcome back to Andover summer resident and neighbor, Angelo Kaltos. Hopefully, you have brought warm and sunny weather with you.

Don't forget the fifth-grade bottle drive on Saturday, April 8, starting at 9 a.m.

Peg and Joe Madigan went to Massachusetts on Monday and Tuesday to visit with their daughter-in-law and new grandson.

Speedy recovery wishes to Glenna Allen, who will undergo cataract surgery today.

The Andover Alumni Association will hold their annual banquet on May 27 at the Andover School. Watch the paper for further details.

If you or a loved one has a plot at the Andover Cemetery, the town is asking for you to remove any decorations that you want saved, whereas the annual spring cleanup will be starting on April 17.

Happy Birthday this week to Kayla Mills on April 8, Lacey Gammon on April 10 and Wade McPherson on the 11th. Have a nice weekend.

West Bethel



by Lorrie Hoeh

The prolonged dry spell has continued for some time,

with only .2 inch of rain last Saturday. However, more may have fallen by the time you read this, for it has been predicted for Tuesday of this week. Meanwhile, we're enjoying a solitary crocus in bloom



THE SNOW CAME TOO LATE, BUT THE PARTY WENT ON—There wasn't enough snow Saturday for the annual Pole, Paddle and Paw ski/canoe/snowshoe race at the Sunday River Inn, but that didn't stop longtime participants and friends from gathering to celebrate the event, which has taken place since 1973. Badminton, croquet and wearing funny hats took the place of the traditional activities. Inn owner Steve Wight said there was also no snow in 1981, and an alternative plan comprised of a run from the inn to Southridge Lodge at Sunday River Ski Resort, a cross-country ski course up a ski trail, a downhill course down the trail and a run back to the inn was substituted. "We were younger then," said Wight. "This year's event was a celebration of the 35 years that Peggy and I and our kids have operated Sunday River Inn with the supreme aid of our extended staff family. It was great to see so many PPP participants, staff members, guests and friends come 'home' to help celebrate."

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

Gilead



by Lin Chapman

There have been several sightings of moose in the roads. They like to gather at the Gilead/Shelburne state line on Route 2.

Our weather recently has been a lot better than St. Cloud, Minn. We talked to our son, Chris, last Sunday. He said that it had rained or was cloudy most every day this past week.

Steve McLain stopped by the house the other evening on his way to a meeting of the Gilead Fire Department. Laney, the little black dog and ever-faithful companion, was with him because she likes to go to the meetings. I went to the meeting, also, to check in on what they were doing about election of officers.

Our grandchildren, William and Annie Chapman, stopped by this past weekend. They are happy that they can use the path through the woods again, instead of walking on the road. While they were here, they discovered Grampa's supply of jelly beans. Needless to say, Grampa had to replenish the supply when we went grocery shopping. They do like those jelly beans!

Fire Department
Ken Cole, fire chief, discussed a grant that Randy Grondin had written to seek funding for equipment for the department. Ken commented that Randy had done a great job with the narrative.

The child-size turnout gear had arrived and the department was going to the West Bethel Children's Center to present a set to the children there and also to the childcare center run by Roberta Hunt in Bethel.

by the doorstep, and anticipating the cheery yellow blossoms of the daffodil shoots, along with daylilies, that have popped up on the south side of the house next to the foundation. By the way, Mike's snowfall records show that this season had just 42 inches, the least (by 20 inches) of any year in the nineteen years we've been here.

Out back at the bird feeders we are being visited by flocks of juncos on their way to somewhere. There have also been a couple of fox sparrows. One poor fellow flew smack into the sliding door at the back porch and sat on the porch, stunned, for several minutes before taking off. Haven't seen him since! We also spotted a song sparrow over the weekend.

Leslie Rowse says she has been hearing woodcocks in the fields on the west side of the Flat Road, south of Grover Hill. We can tune in to redwings regularly now, as they seem to be back in force. And just the other day we spotted a phoebe, probably on a nest-site scouting expedition. It may be time to put up the screens on the porch before the building starts.

Last week I mentioned that Alonzo had joined the alpaca herd at Sunday River Alpaca. Maureen phoned a few days ago to say that she and Jeff have re-christened him "Sunday River Spectator," in keeping with the farm theme,

which has most of the animals named after trails or mountains at Sunday River Skiway. "Spectator" seemed like a good name for this one, because he is two-toned, just like spectator shoes. Maureen also says that she will be having the 'pacas shorn on May 25. That should be an interesting event to watch. Moreover, the new babies will be putting in their appearances in May and June.

Another Lenten luncheon took place last Thursday at the West Bethel Union Church, this one catered by members of Our Lady of the Snows. As usual, it was well attended and much enjoyed by all.

Once again the daffodils and gladioli are coming up at the West Bethel Post Office. Jane H. tells me that these were originally planted by Arthur

Gilbert when he was postmaster. He was a consummate gardener, relying largely on some innate sense of how things grow. The fact that the glads continue to prosper, even though conventional wisdom is that they should be dug up each year, says something for his expertise. What a lovely legacy for a long-time West Bethelite!

The Pleasant Valley Grange has purchased a stair lift for the Grange Hall. It had been slightly used and so came at a reduced price. Now it just remains for John Applin (and helper) to complete the installation thereof, and all members and guests, regardless of physical difficulties, will be able to get to the upstairs of the Grange.

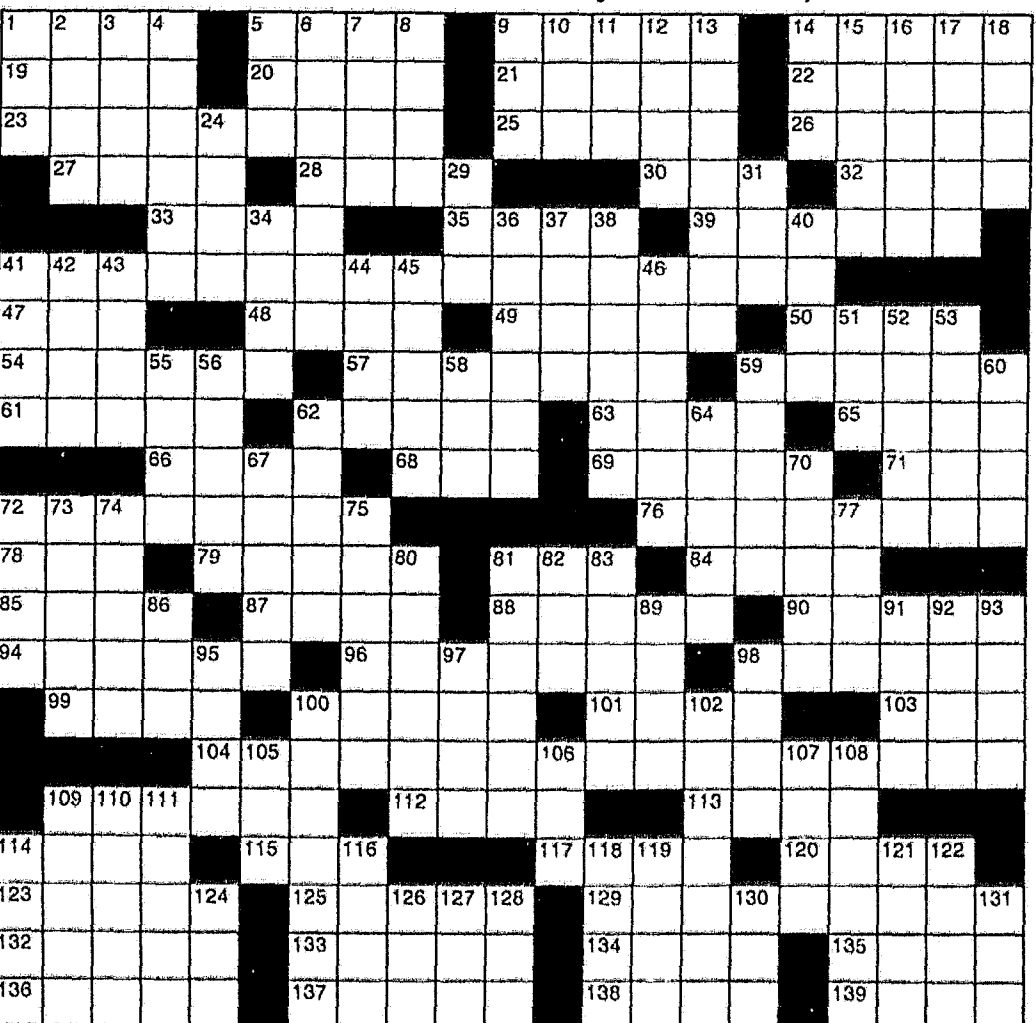
There is a big pile of sand and gravel fill accumulating

off Route 2 in the village, on the corner where an old barn used to be, adjacent to Mountain View Circle. Rumor has it that this comprises leftovers from Route 2 road construction and may eventually be for sale.

The West Bethel Children's Center was visited by the Gilead Fire Department last Thursday. In addition to showing off their beautiful new fire engine, the firefighters donated a child-size firefighter's uniform to the Center. Everyone was very grateful to Capt. Fabian Corriveau, 2nd Lieut. Jamie McLean, and Firefighter Susan Saunders for their generosity and for an entertaining and informative presentation.

Just in case winter has returned by the time you read this, I hope you enjoyed the

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by Sylvia Harrington

Karlene Bachelder called me to tell me that if you don't put pussy willows in water they keep for a very long time. Many thanks. Way back in my memory I do believe I knew that.

I know it is a sign of spring, as Leroy Learned has his water wheel working. I always enjoy watching it twirl as I drive home this time of the year.

Also, the robins are back, as are the turkeys, at least two who were getting seed near my stairs on Monday.

Last week, I stopped in to see Walter Clark. He was looking at seed catalogues and thinking about planting his garden. We had a very pleasant visit.

As I approached the Recycling Center Saturday, there was a large cloud of dust in

the air. It was Davy Bennett who was using some form of electric broom to clear the entry of all the dirt that had been accumulating there during the winter. Davy puts in many hours working at the Center and does not expect payment for his services. Lots of people, including me, enjoy talking with him.

This is the third spring I have seen a humpbacked nut-hatch at my feeders. Not sure if it is the same one, but I had never seen one previously.

Leon Dunn had a good but short maple syrup season that is now over. Recently he was out undoing the setup he had for the collection of the sap, and cleaning up.

News from the Town Office: the office will be closed on Monday, April 17, which is Patriots Day. The Board of Selectmen meets on the first and third Monday of each month. The Planning Board meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Their agendas are posted at the Town Office. If you need more information about these meetings, you may call the office at 824-3123. All meetings at the Town Office are open to the public.

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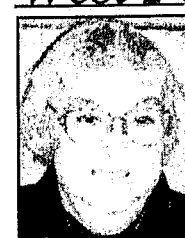
by Nancy Mercer
Tom Evans of Massachusetts visited with Andre and Flossie Bernier on

April 1. Alder River Grange will meet at the hall on April 14 with a 6:30 p.m. potluck supper and the meeting at 7:30 p.m. This is back to our summer schedule.

All last week made me think that spring had really come to Maine early. Sunday said this is April in Maine and it can be cold and windy.

Have a nice week. God Bless the Troops.

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb

April is here and still there is no snow. It is cold enough so that none of my early bulbs have sent up any shoots. It doesn't seem wise to rake the pine needles off them yet.

On Sunday, April 9, lay speaker Joe Sirois will speak at the West Paris Universal-

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ist Church on "War in Iraq, Peace Activism, Morality." Mr. Sirois has recently attended a workshop that focused impressively on this topic. The service will start at 9 a.m. and all are welcome. Jim Burke is organist. A coffee hour follows.

An Easter and Birthday party was held at the home of Lisa and Ron Darling, and children Olivia, Katie, and Megan. Chris Waterhouse and Tanner Morrison were celebrating birthdays.

An Easter egg hunt was enjoyed and all received Easter baskets filled with goodies. Others attending were Rachel and Nester Ruokolainen, Angela and Pete Morrison, Nate and Kelsey Morrison, and Dede Chase. All had an exciting time.

Frank Perham will be guest speaker at the Whitman Memorial Library on Thursday, April 13, at 10 a.m. Frank will speak on gems and minerals, focusing on the history of mineral mining and its effect on the Oxford Hills area. The program is open to the public at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

Beverly Stevens has finished a quilt front which will be tied at a quilting bee on Wednesday at the Universalist Church. This will be a money raiser for the church this spring.

Plans for the Easter Sunrise Service have been finalized. It will be held on Easter Sunday, April 16, at 6 a.m. at the home of Ray and Mary Ann Brown on the top of High Street at the end of Perham Road. Joseph Perham will lead the service. The Easter breakfast will follow at the church. All are welcome. There will be no 9 a.m. service.

Spring has put "spring" in Buffy for he is more active and walking more often around the neighborhood.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

The Rumford Point Community Athletic Association met recently to elect officers, name coaches and set key dates for the 2006 baseball season. Officers for the coming year are Brian Gross, president; Dean Gross, vice president; Jen McPherson, secretary; Jeff Sterling, treasurer; Tom DeLuca, Bob Parise and Fred McPherson, trustees. Head coaches are Bob Parise, Farm League; Dean Gross, Little League and Ed McPherson, Babe Ruth.

Baseball signups were Tuesday at the Hanover Town Office. Member rates this season are \$20 for the first child and \$30 for two or more kids.

The annual Bottle Drive, RPA's major fundraiser, will be held Saturday, April 22. All Rumford Point and Hanover

residents are encouraged to save their bottles to help the kids raise money for new equipment and field improvements.

If you're not going to be home on the 22nd, you can leave your bottles outside or drop them off at the field on the Martin Road. The kids appreciate your support.

The field clean-up day will be Sunday, April 30, starting at 9 a.m. at the field on the Martin Road. Please bring rakes, shovels and strong backs.

Vivian Blay Simoneau of Jacksonville, Fla., died March 25 at her home. Vivian grew up in Hanover in the house that is now the Town Office. She is remembered as a kind person. Sympathy is extended to her family.

Rupert Elliott died March 31 at his residence. He raised his family with his wife Louise at the family farm where he grew up in North Rumford. In later years he moved to a house along Route 2 at Rumford Point. Louise died in 1995 and he had lived by himself

School Lunch

Week of April 6

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Monday: Chicken nuggets, baked potato, veggies, tossed salad, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Bacon cheeseburger, french fries, tossed salad, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Taco, nacho chips, salsa, veggies, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Fish sandwich, french fries, tossed salad, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Chicken teriyaki/bun, potato chips, tossed salad, fruit bar, milk.

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SAD44 Elementary Schools Lunches

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Wednesday: Chicken fajita wrap, salsa, salad bar, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Macaroni and cheese, carrots, banana bread, salad bar, fruit, milk.

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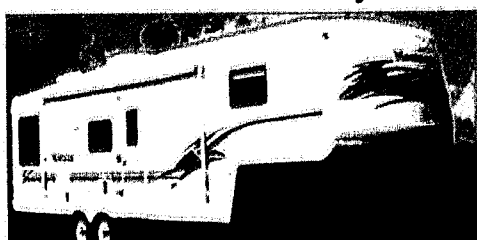
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Gilead firefighters visit Children's Center

By LORRIE HOEH

The bleat of the air horn signaled the arrival of Engine No. 1 of the Gilead Fire Department at West Bethel Children's Center on March 30.

No, there was no fire in or around the school building. The occasion for the visit was to educate the children about a firefighter's job — and just maybe an opportunity to show off the Department's shiny, new red truck.

Inside, the children started to buzz with excitement over this long-awaited event. As soon as Captain Fabian Corriveau, Second Lieutenant Jamie McLean, and Firefighter Susan Saunders (also Department treasurer) walked through the door of the Center, they were swamped by little people (bringing to mind Gulliver and the Lilliputians), peppering them with questions. Freda Davis, a teacher there, remarked that she had never before seen the children so excited.

One of the high points of the morning was the presentation to the Children's Center of a child-sized firefighter's uniform, comprising hat, overalls, and jacket. The first lucky child to try on the suit was Kurtis, who sported it proudly as we all went outside to examine the fire engine.

Capt. Corriveau showed the children the flashlight on his helmet, as well as his accountability tag. He explained that each firefighter has one of these tags and leaves it with the scene commander when entering a fire scene. This is so that everyone is accounted for at all times.

He also demonstrated his personal safety signal, a high-pitched whistle which is activated if a firefighter falls or is injured. The signal starts low and gets increasingly louder. There were a lot of covered ears when it reached its loudest.

The children learned that there are 2,500 gallons of water in the truck's holding tank and four different-sized fire hoses on the truck.

There is also a main pump panel on the side, which controls the pumping of water from all over the truck. Lieutenant McLean demonstrated how the jet gun on top of the truck can be raised, lowered, and turned to aim the gun and send a powerful jet of water to a burning target. Also up top was a portable lighting de-

vice on a periscope-like mounting, which, like the jet gun, can be raised, lowered, and aimed wherever light is needed.

The firefighters patiently answered any and all questions from the children, showing them the accountability board, the tool box, extrication devices, various spanner wrenches, and other tools, each with its own specific purpose in fighting fires. It occurred to us that the fire engine is the ultimate toy (albeit one with a very serious purpose), and the excitement of the children confirmed that observation.

Capt. Corriveau went on to demonstrate the use of air tanks and breathing masks. The mask could be quite frightening to a small child who has never seen one, but there is one group of children who will know that behind that mask is a friend. Several of them even had a chance to don the mask themselves. They were also invited to climb into the cab of the truck, hold the steering wheel, and sound the air horn. There may have been a few future firefighters recruited that morning.

Corriveau then showed the rear emptying conduit which is used to dump water into a holding tank at a mutual aid scene. He also pointed out the large, powerful fan mounted on the truck. This is used to clear heavy smoke from a poor visibility situation, so that the firefighters can see where to aim the hoses. Chief Kenneth Cole noted that before the fan is turned on, however, all hoses must be in place and ready to spray, because the fan can also feed the fire. This means that split-second timing is called for.

When asked about the heaviness of the suit and equipment the firefighters wear, Chief Cole related that in hot weather it is possible to lose five or ten pounds when in uniform. This is one more reason to appreciate the hard work, fortitude, and courage of firefighters, not to mention the amount of training they must go through to do their jobs well.

After bidding good-by to a very excited and appreciative group of youngsters and staff, Engine No. 1 headed for Bethel and a visit to Roberta Hunt's Child Care at Bethel Park Apartments.



KURTIS

since then. Those who knew him will miss him and sympathy is extended to his family.

Years ago, the first thing you did when you went out in the morning was look toward Mt. Zircon. If you could see the forestry fire tower there you knew that it was probably going to be a good day and that your eyes were still all right. Some time ago the Maine Forest Service discontinued fire towers throughout the state and the Mt. Zircon tower was toppled to the ground. Now there appears to be a new tower to attract our attention. In Bethel, across the Androscoggin River from Hanover Village and high up on the hill, there is a new cell tower that appeared over several days last week. The 130-foot tall structure was put in place with a huge crane and will become operational as soon as electric power is available to it. Possibly it will help eliminate many of the cell phone "blind spots" that frequent this area.

East Stoneham

by Eleanor Nelson



Hi readers. What a great sunny, springy day this has been. I can

think of many things to do but the next thing is to find the energy to do them. Anyway, the first priority is this column to do.

Shirley Grant from Mechanic Falls spent the past weekend with Frances Grant. She helps Frances carry her groceries in from the car.

It is kind of hard for Frances where she uses a walker all the time now. We three went to Bridgton Hannaford's this past Saturday. Shirley helped me, too.

Sunday, March 26, I changed the bandage on Albert's hand and it started to bleed and I could not stop it, so Genie (Albert Jr.) took us to Stephens

Memorial Hospital ER and they fixed him up and put a lot of pressure and bandage on it. Guess I should have been a nurse, but he is getting along okay now but still on oxygen (which is a pain) and no fun.

Last month he got an awful nice card and letter from an old friend of his, Leonard "Pete" Andrews from Brandon, Fla.

He is 90 years old and walks a mile every other day or so and he belongs to a group that gets together to play their music. He has made a lot of friends there in Florida in the last 23 years. Good for you, Pete Andrews. I love your kind of music.

Well, the news of the week is about the triplets that Erica and Travis Fox are going to have. A shower party was held for her and it was shown on TV Channel 6, but I just was not aware of it and did not get to see it. Several people told me about it after it was on several times. A surrogate mother is carrying the babies for them and everyone is all excited for them.

It was initially meant to be one baby, but Erica says she is fine with whatever God has in store for them. This is a great thing that Kelly Hodgman-Burns is doing for them. Kelly and her husband have three children of their own and she wants others to have the pleasure of children that they have.

That is what friends are for, helping each other. Good luck to you all.

On March 17, we did have corned beef and cabbage and veggies after all. Thanks, Frances. It was awfully good.

Dean Saunders has been doing some work a bit for Frances Grant, also for Albert Nelson Sr.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt
Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.; morning

worship at 10:30 a.m.; choir practice at 5 p.m.; evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. is prayer meeting; Thursday at 9 a.m. is ladies prayer time.

At the Whitman Memorial Library on Thursday, April 13 at 10 a.m., Frank Perham will be speaking. The topic is the history of mineral mining and how it affected our area. There is no charge and everyone is welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

Today (Thursday, April 6) is Senior Citizens for Woodstock and Greenwood meeting at the Grange Hall. The meeting starts at 11:30 a.m., with dinner put on by the Daughters of Union Veterans, and the program follows by Susan Sweetser, a talented lady. All seniors welcome. There is a charge for the dinner.

Judith Grover Tent 17 Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War will meet at the Grange Hall on Monday, April 10, at 7 p.m.

The Historical Society meets on Saturday, April 8. Each one is to bring an item to show and tell about — something that means a lot to you. The Historical Society Museum houses many of Woodstock's treasures; it is a real fine organization. The history of the Wood-

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The New England Cultural Center has many materials and books on famous people. Visit and see.

The Woodstock Extension will meet at the Town Annex on Wednesday, April 19. Wendy Legg will be the speaker on "Whole Grains." The meeting starts at 1 p.m. with a tasting party.

Larry Billings attended a meeting at the West Parish Universalist Church about getting an interim minister.

There will be a Woodstock High School Alumni meeting at Alice Hoyt's on Tuesday, April 11, at 1:30 p.m. to start planning the Alumni Banquet, which will be June 10.

Sympathy is extended to Andrea Wing and family in the recent deaths of her sisters.

the road. They waved them in the air shouting "Hosanna" (which means "God Saves" in Hebrew) and put some of them on the road to make it easier for the donkey to walk on the rocky road. Services at the Albany Church begin at 9:30 a.m.

This Friday is Good Friday, the day observed as the day of Jesus' crucifixion; and then next Sunday will be Easter Sunday, the day we Christians celebrate as the day Jesus rose from the grave.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Norma and the family of Dave Salway, who passed away last week. Dave was a "good guy" and we are certain he will be sorely missed. God Bless and Keep.

South Woodstock



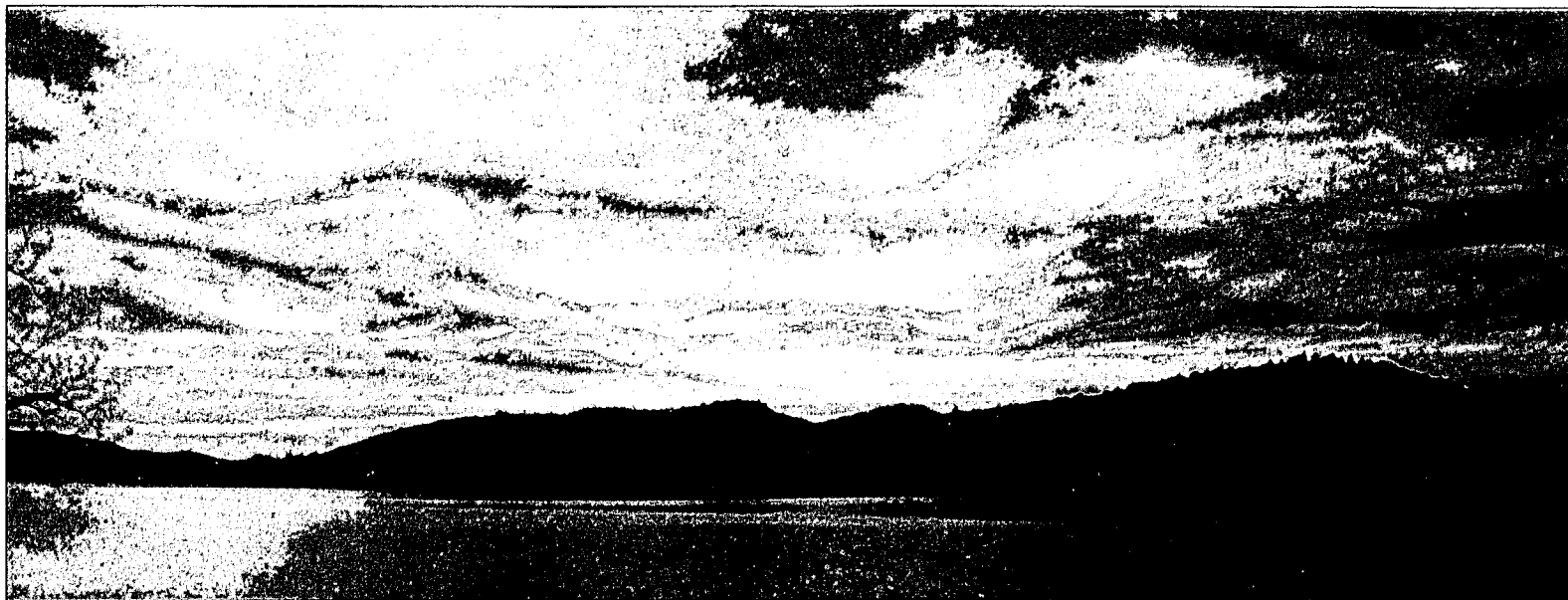
by Andrea Wing
I am sorry I did not have any news last week. We had another death

in our family. My sister, Evelyn Poland Dunn, 77, died March 23. Evelyn and her husband, James, moved to Norway a few years ago. Their daughter, Patrice Dunn, Loma Linda, Calif., has been here since Evelyn's death.

Prior to the Duns moving to Norway they lived in Campton, N.H. for many years. Evelyn and James had been married 55 years.

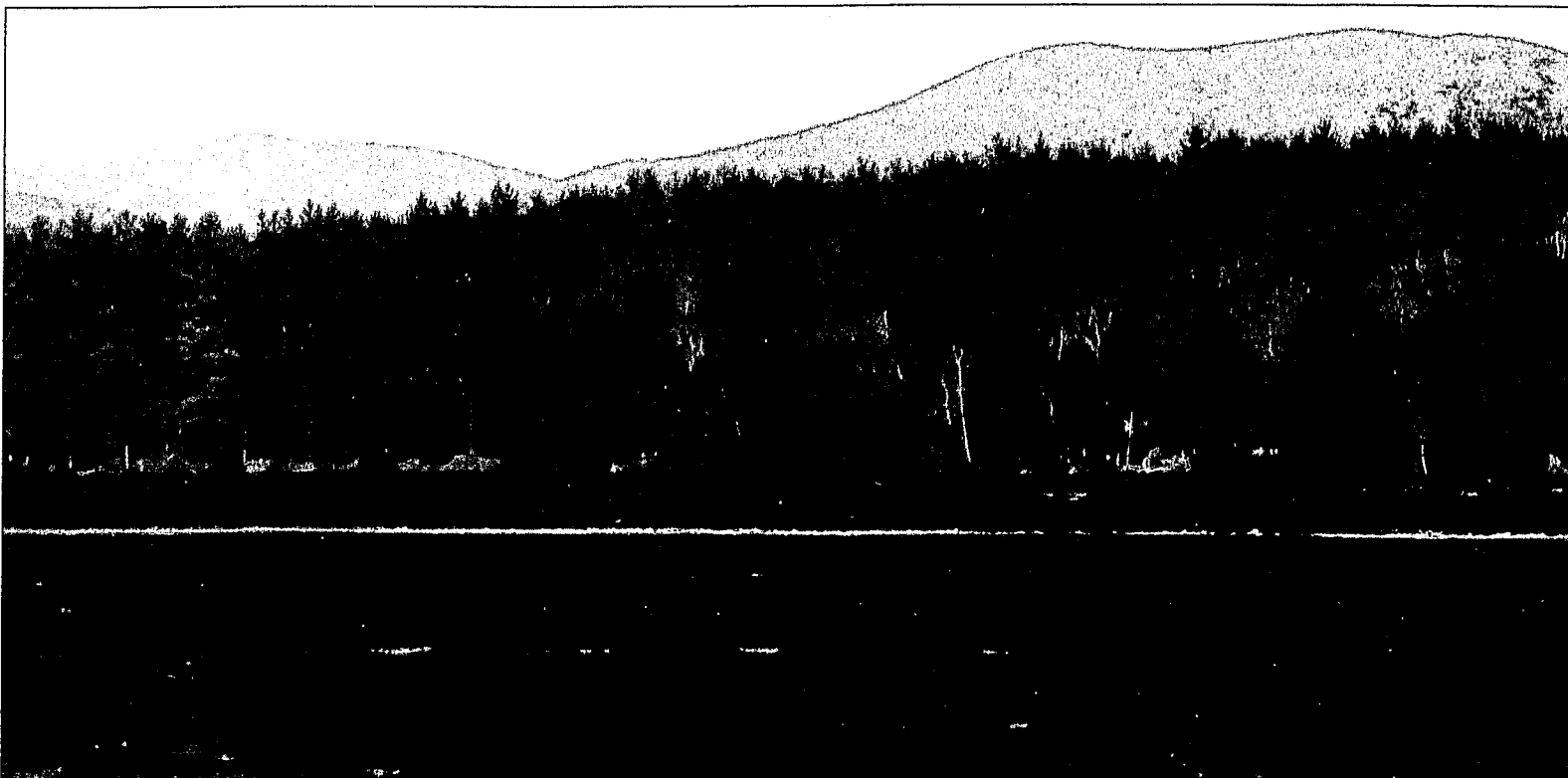
Evelyn is survived by her husband, James of Norway; a daughter, Patrice Dunn, Loma Linda, Calif.; a sister, Andrea Wing and husband Richard of South Woodstock, a brother, Phelps Poland and wife Joan of West Paris; sisters-in-law, Thomasina Poland and Claribel Poland, both of South Woodstock, and Ada Minyon and husband Sam of Florida; and many close cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents, Helen Poland and Leon L. Poland; a son, Jimmy Dunn; brothers, Buster Poland, Vernon Poland, Gerald Poland, who died in the Battle of the Bulge, Leon L. Poland Jr., who died in Vietnam; and her sister, Dorothy Critser, who died Feb. 28, 2006.



APRIL SKIES AND WATERS—The changeable weather of early spring was evident in the Bethel area this past week. Top, on Tuesday clouds brought first rain and later snow over South Pond in Greenwood. Bottom, on Sunday, a brisk north wind whipped up white caps and pushed a line of ice still left on Songo Pond from the north to the south end of the pond.

(Photos: top, M. Daniels; bottom, A. Aloisio)



Evelyn was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church. She loved music and sang in a trio in church and other occasions, with her sister, Dorothy, and friend, Alberta Harlow. She graduated from Woodstock High School in 1946.

Services for both Evelyn and Dorothy will be held jointly later this spring or summer in Woodstock.

We will miss her greatly. I want to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, and calls I have received. I really appreciate them. It has been real-

ly hard losing both sisters so close together.

Murphy and Elizabeth Blazier, our next-door neighbors, have been on a cruise to Mexico and other interesting places on a large ship.

They said they had a wonderful time. We are glad to have them home again. Their dog, Elvis, was so funny to watch when they returned home. He had been in a kennel while they were away.

Woodstock Library News: Thursday, April 13 at 10 a.m., Frank Perham will be the guest speaker on gems and

minerals focusing on the history of mineral mining in the Oxford Hills area. The program is open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there. There is no charge.

Happy birthday to those celebrating in April. They are: Judi Brown, Grace Bartlett, Desirae Cox, Greg Critser, Vicki Critser, Emma Davis, Brooke Grover, Ken Grover, Vicki Hill, Lynda Poland, Carol Everett, Jennie Record, and a special birthday wish to my great-grandson, Zack Lynch who will be 7 years old.

Quote of the Week: "I have learned that you cannot believe everything you hear, even if you hear it twice."

Waterford



by Rockie Graham

Today, I tried to send a picture using my new camera. Of course I had not the slightest idea how to do so. I called Dawn and she was talking me through

Albany



by Sheila Dyke

Greetings and hello from Albany Township.

Although the calendar says it's spring, and we had to "spring forward" this past weekend, it was wintry weather we woke to on Tuesday morning, with it snowing harder than it had most of the winter. Maine is such an interesting state to live in.

The kids seemed to have recovered from Saturday's SAT testing.

This Saturday, the 8th, the ladies from the Albany Church will be holding a bake sale at the Bethel IGA (oops, Bethel Foodliner) to help raise funds for the Albany Scholarship program.

This Sunday is Palm Sunday, which is the first Day of Holy Week. It is when Christians remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey, and it is called Palm Sunday because the people were so happy to see Jesus and knew that he was very important, so they took branches from the palm and olive trees that lined

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it when boom, the electricity quit. I do not know what happened in Norway today, but I do know something knocked out the power. In any case, I went off and came home and played awhile and got it to work. Checking later I discovered that I typed the address wrong and therefore it went nowhere. So I sent it.

The advantage is I am getting practice in sending digital photos. Now I just have to learn how to print it. In any case, the picture is of Mountain Poets.

It is National Poetry Month and we are having our annual Too Cold for the Porch event. It will be held on Friday, April 21 at 7 p.m. at Fare Share Commons. Registration for poets wanting to read is at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to read and or listen.

Remember that all TVs and computer monitors must now be recycled, along with fluorescent light bulbs. It is now the law of the land. We have a new bin for it as well as our fancy big metal building. See your attendants. This is true for Bethel, too. They tell us that some day all electronics will have to be recycled, but that is years away. I think they want to get us into it a little at a time. That is fine with me.

Hope you all enjoyed last week's April Fool's Issue. I know I did. David thought it was for real, but after reading a bit, I knew. The best ones were the tram from the airport, or the one of Newry seceding. I wait for them each year.

Next week Passover begins. We need to buy some macarons. I can only have Streit's because they don't, or didn't use potato starch. That is deadly for me to eat, so I avoid it. In any case, I remember as a child having to take Matzoh sandwiches to school. We got some strange looks, but we did it anyway.

Good Friday comes soon, too, the 14th of April, the last day of school before the April vacation. In case anyone is wondering, the transfer stations, Tri-Town (Bethel) and W.A.S.T.E. will be open on Easter Sunday at the usual hours.

On Saturday, April 8, the Waterford Memorial School

will present "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" at OHCHS at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for seniors and children. Money goes to the playground fund. FMI: call 583-4418 or WREC at 583-2559. That is all for this week. Enjoy this beautiful weather and remember, even if it snows before you read this, it won't last long.

From the Bethel Library

During April and May, on Monday mornings at 10 a.m., Emily Beers is leading a Children's Story Hour. In June, the Bethel Library will begin its annual Summer Reading Program for young readers.

Planning is well underway for the library's annual Plant Sale on Saturday, June 3, from 9 to 10 a.m. Interested in helping run the event or in donating plants? Please be in touch with Michelle Conroy at 824-2520 (library) or at 824-3275 (home). The Plant Sale is a fast-paced, much-treasured community event.

The library's 2006 Annual Fund continues to progress nicely. To date, 152 gifts have been received totaling \$10,082 toward a goal of \$15,000. A spring reminder mailing to last year's contributors will be dispatched shortly.

Grateful thanks to our winter season donors: Andee and Doug Alford; Clark Bartlett; Donald and Karen Bean; Mr. and Mrs. Levi Brown; Cheryl Burnham; Robert and Nancy Chadbourne; Norman Clanton; Richard and Karen DeCarolis; Michael and Julie Drapeau; Elaine and Dutch Dresser; Susan Driscoll; Joanna and Joe Drummond; Stanley Howe; Becky Kendall; Ronald and Marguerite Kendall; Nancy Mercer; Jill Moyer; George and Danna Nickerson, in memory of Donald S. Brown; Brett and Sara Shifrin; Janet and Dexter Stowell; Rosabelle Tift; Richard Valentine; Bill and Nancy White; John and Susan Wight and Gloria Wilson, all of Bethel.

Nancy Davis, Albany; Peter and Mary Ellen Gartner, and Kenneth and Lois Ruff in honor of Roberta Ruff, all of Bryant Pond. Donald M. Christie, Jr. of Gray. Nancy Babcock and David Walker, Bill and Cindy Brown, Marjorie Osgood,

and Bruce Pierce in memory of Howard Cole, all of Newry. Colleen F. Boyd, West Bethel. Alphee and Genesta Tanguay, Ormond Beach, Fla. Dr. Lawrence T.P. Stifler, Brookline, Mass. Tim and Carry Scott in honor of A. James Fiske, Jackson, N.H. Christopher and Susan Tarr, Princeton, N.J. The Bethel Rotary Club, the Chapman Inn and Northeast Bank, all of Bethel.

The Annual Fund remains open through June 30. Contributions may be sent to the Bethel Library Association, P.O. Box 130, Bethel, ME 0417.

From Oxford County Democrats

U.S. Senate candidates Jean Hay Bright of Dixmont and Eric Mehnert of Bangor met in their first forum of the campaign season as they seek the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate to challenge Senator Olympia Snowe in the November election.

Bright, a writer and organic farmer, and Mehnert, an attorney, presented their views during a 30-minute program moderated by Roy Gedat of Norway. Both pointed out the record of consistent support Senator Snowe has given the Bush administration on a variety of topics including oil drilling, confirmation of judges, the Iraq war and wire-tapping.

Following the Senatorial forum, Andrea Quaid of Congressman Mike Michaud's Lewiston office brought greetings from the Congressman and stated that he would be planning a visit to Oxford County in the near future. Mercedes Marino of the Campaign to Re-elect Governor John Baldacci spoke about the campaign's many activities including the launching of a new website, www.governor-baldacci.com, and the opening of the Portland office.

In County Committee business, Mike Broderick presented the Democratic State Committee report, announcing there will be an election of a new party chair on April 9. Roy Gedat, member of the Convention Committee, highlighted aspects of the plans for the convention on June 2

and 3 in Augusta, which will include a keynote address by Senator Russ Feingold, and some exciting training sessions in addition to speeches and floor demonstrations, and action on the Party Platform, as well as numerous social event. Ads in the convention program are available for purchase by contacting Cathy Newell, 875-2116.

County Committee Chair Cathy Newell reported on plans for the campaign season. Candidates present were Wayne Gallant of Rumford, candidate for sheriff; Roy Gedat of Norway; Marlee Turner of Brownfield; Tim Carter of Bethel; and Jim Bradley of Mechanic Falls; candidates for the House, Jane Rich of Andover, candidate for re-election for Register of Deeds, and Wade Rainey, candidate for County Commissioner. Volunteers are needed in many capacities and anyone interested in electing Democrats may contact Newell at 875-2116.

From the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

The Bethel Chamber of Commerce in co-operation with Trout Unlimited will host a free family fishing festival on Saturday, June 3. The festival will be held along the banks of the Androscoggin River from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Free casting workshops are set for the morning. Members of the Mollycodd Chapter of Trout Unlimited will teach the workshops. Instruction will follow the curriculum developed by Trout Unlimited's "First Cast" program for kids. Instruction for the entire family will utilize the format of the Passport to Fishing and Boating program developed by the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation. Equipment will be provided by Maine's Hooked on Fishing-Not on Drugs Program.

A fishing derby is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to practice kids' newly learned casting skills. Youngsters will release the derby fish into the Androscoggin River after they

are caught, weighed and measured. The derby will help to teach the "catch and release" ethic important to preserving Maine's fishing resource.

In the afternoon, kids will learn how to tie flies. Materials will be provided by TU and will include fibers from Sunday River Alpaca, a local alpaca farm. Every child will be able to take home a hand-tied fly.

Exhibitors include the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife with a mobile unit information booth, the Hooked on Fishing-Not on Drugs Program; and The Maine Conservation School of Bryant Pond, a camp facility for juniors and adults offering programs in Maine's traditional outdoor activities.

Families are welcome to bring a pack lunch. An outdoor barbecue will be available at the festival. All parents and kids registering for the event will be eligible for prizes from local outfitters and businesses.

The weekend of June 3 and 4 is a free fishing weekend in Maine. Resident and non-resident freshwater fishing licenses are waived each day. June 3 is the first day of National Fishing and Boating Week, a program of the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation. RBFF is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to increase participation in recreational angling and boating and thereby increase public awareness and appreciation of the need for protecting, conserving and restoring the nation's aquatic and natural resources. The Bethel Family Fishing Festival is one of many nationwide events that provide families with an opportunity to have fun on the water. The festival welcomes three-generation families, single-parent families and the family pet.

For information contact the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce at (800) 442-5826 or online at www.bethelmaine.com. For those families wishing to stay overnight and fish or canoe the Androscoggin River on Sunday, special family packages are available for the weekend at local lodging establishments.

From the Mahoosuc Arts Council

The Mahoosuc Arts Council brings traditional fiddle music and much more to Bethel when Fiddle-icious performs a spring concert at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 22, at Crescent Park Elementary School.

Fiddle-icious is a fiddle orchestra comprised of a diverse group of enthusiastic fiddlers and other musicians playing piano, guitar, banjo, flute, tin whistle, accordion, cello, viola, mandolin, tuba and upright bass. The groups' music features tunes passed on from our Scottish, Irish, Quebecois, and Acadian ancestors and includes reels, jigs, aires, marches, hornpipes, waltzes, step-dancing, and singing. The primary goal of Fiddle-icious is to keep traditional music alive by sharing Maine's musical heritage with the community.

Fiddle-icious is comprised of musicians from Arundel, Augusta, Biddeford, Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Brunswick, Cape Elizabeth, Coopers Mills, Denmark, Falmouth, Freeport, Georgetown, Gorham, Harpswell, Leeds, Lincolnville, Monmouth, Naples, New Gloucester, Poland, Portland, Raymond, Saco, Scarborough, Sebago, South Portland, Topsham, Westbrook, Windham, and Woolwich. The players range in age from students to professionals to retirees, and are engaged in occupations as varied as blacksmith and veterinarian. While the group's rehearsal and teaching sessions play host to nearly 100 musicians at a time, the upcoming concerts will include approximately 60 of the group's musicians.

Fiddle-icious evolved out of a monthly fiddle workshop led by Don Roy, a phenomenal fiddler from Gorham who is hailed as a "living cultural treasure" here in Maine. Both Don and his wife Cindy grew up in French Canadian families where music was an integral part of their lives. They are both steeped in the traditions that have been passed down from one generation to

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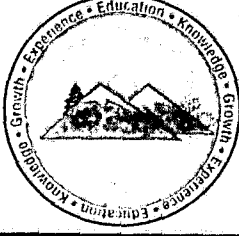
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the next. The desire to share their knowledge with others and foster community through music is a testimony to their commitment to keep their musical heritage alive. Don states, "We went from rehearsing once a month to rehearsing weekly, and the group grew to nearly 100 players. We wanted to share our music and so we started performing concerts in the fall of 2004." A CD of that concert material was recorded in October of 2004. The group's second CD, with material recorded from their 2005 concert series, should be available for the April 2006 shows.

Fiddle tunes only live as long as they are played. Both the tunes and the people who make up Fiddle-icious create an atmosphere of infectious energy and joy. Your feet will start tapping and you are bound to start smiling when you hear the music performed by Fiddle-icious. Still, according to Roy, Fiddle-icious does more than bring life to traditional music. He also celebrates "the friendships and sense of community that have developed. I saw people who were strangers three months before offer their homes to those in need. As for myself, the reward of seeing the personal growth and congealing of people gathering for a very positive reason is compensation way beyond any monetary value."

A large and vibrant group of traditional Maine musicians with all levels of ability, Fiddle-icious will present two concerts in April. The Mahoosuc Arts Council in Bethel will host the first spring concert on Saturday April 22 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students. Tickets are available at the door or can be reserved by calling 824-3575. A second concert is scheduled for Sunday, April 23, at 2 p.m. at the Irish Heritage Center in Portland. Tickets are \$10 general

admission, \$7 seniors and students. Tickets are available at the door, and at all Bull Moose music stores.

From the *Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center*

The textbook for the Society's 2006 Winter/Spring course, "A Distant War Comes Home: Maine in the Civil War Era," is now fully in stock and all of the over forty participants who wish to acquire a copy at the special course price of \$10 can do so. Those wanting to pick up the book should come to the society office in the Robinson House, 10 Broad Street during regular hours, 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

The tour of Bethel Civil War veteran gravesites that will follow the course on April 29 will begin at 10 a.m. Several Bethel cemeteries will be visited during the tour. The rain date is Sunday, April 30, at 2 p.m.

During the class on March 30, which dealt with battlefield life and the Maine home front, several members of the Sons of Union Veterans visited and encouraged anyone with a Civil War ancestor to consider joining either the Sons or the Daughters. The nearest Sons of Union Veterans is in South Paris, Joshua Chamberlain Camp 69.

From *Sunday River Christian Ministry*

For the past six years, Sunday River Christian Ministry has partnered with the Sunday River Ski Resort to provide hundreds of folks an opportunity to be on top of Barkers Mountain. We witness the Easter sunrise while attend-

ing an inspiring Sunrise Service which starts at 7 a.m. Because we are adding a new element of a food collection this holiday, we encourage you to watch this column next week, and check posters, advertisements for additional details.

We will have a new partner this year, the local Food Pantry. Due to our church themes of Reaching Out, Changing One Heart at a Time, and Breads and Fishes, we will be asking participants to contribute one item for the Food Pantry restocking.

The preferred and usable items include: food items, cans of tuna, canned hams, canned chicken, one-box meals such as Mac/Cheese, Tuna Helper, etc., canned fruit, plastic bottles of fruit juices, pasta, pasta sauce, new household items: toilet tissue, dish and laundry detergent, toothpaste, toothbrushes, bath soap, deodorant, diapers of all sizes, shampoo.

Large plastic buckets will be stationed with a Sunday River Christian Ministry attendant at the bottom of Lift #1. A donation is not mandatory for the free ride up/down on the lift. Monetary donations will be gratefully accepted. All proceeds will go to the Food Pantry restocking.

We hope to see you as we celebrate this glorious holiday in such a spectacular setting.

For further information, please call Alice Strait, 836-2337.

From the *Bethel Rotary Club*

The Bethel Rotary Club had a very successful spring Country Breakfast March 19, held at Gould Academy's Ordway Dining Hall.

The club recently awarded checks to support area organizations including Girls on the Run, the Bethel Historical Society, the Mahoosuc Kids Association and Project Graduation.

Third-graders in SAD44 will each receive the gift of a paperback dictionary, compliments of Rotary. The

dictionary distribution is part of a nationwide Rotary literacy effort.

Rotarians and the Interact Club (the high school club affiliated with Rotary) are currently collecting used shoes to ship to needy people in Armenia. Anyone wishing to donate shoes may bring them to the Crescent Park Elementary School.

An upcoming project April 29 will see Rotarians pitching in to split wood to provide firewood for people in need of help with heating their homes for next winter.

The annual Rotary Golf Challenge Tournament takes place June 19, and the annual Auction and Yard Sale June 24.

Rotary overview

The Rotary Club of Bethel is very active in local community service projects and in providing financial support for other area organizations.

In recent years the club has funded a town clock for Bethel and the construction of bridges at Camp Susan Curtis in Stoneham.

Annually, the club sponsors a Christmas Senior Citizen luncheon and distributes Christmas gifts to needy area children with its Christmas for Children effort.

The club supports graduating high school seniors by awarding more than \$7,000 in scholarships annually.

We also support cultural exchanges with foreign countries for area students and adults. And as part of Rotary International projects, we provide funds for medical services for Polio Plus (polio immunization) and Rotooplast (surgery for children with cleft lip).

In addition, we fund our own individual overseas projects, such as a water system for a school in Kenya, and a portable dental unit for Uruguay.

Regular fundraising activities include several annual events: an auction/yard sale; a golf tournament; two country breakfasts; and food booths at several community events.

We are happy to have interested individuals join us for breakfast on

Tuesday mornings. For more information contact Steve Wight at 824-2410.

From *Gould Academy*

Gould skiers and riders returned late on Monday from the 2006 USASA Nationals at Northstar-at-Tahoe in California after a week of great results for the Gould and GSR development team athletes.

The weather at Northstar was changeable with 60-degree sunny days and 12-inch snowstorms. Waxing was a nightmare. Standout results were in the big groups of 12-13 year olds, 14-15 year olds, and 16-17 year olds. The following athletes rode very well and finished in the top third of divisions containing 80 or more: Brian Schroy '07 - 26th in halfpipe; Chris Hagerty '08 - 17th in halfpipe and 21st in slopestyle.

Athletes who left Northstar with the best results were Anne Osborne '10 - fourth in boardercross, Ben Bishop '06 - fifth in halfpipe, Will Getchell '07 - 1st in Skier Pipe, Peter Rodway '10 - 12th in boardercross, and Libby Redepennin '06 - 11th in halfpipe. Each of these athletes achieved their results in divisions containing 30 or more athletes.

All 25 riders from the GSR programs competed well and were great ambassadors of Gould, Sunday River, and the "ice coast."

A full breakdown of results can be found at www.usasa.org. Click on the Nationals icon and the results. Type the name, then click on name for that athlete's results.

From *One Book One Community*

In connection with this year's One Book One Community "Wonders" theme, Earl Morse will be offering an orienteering treasure hunt to introduce participants to a few of the wonders of the beautiful village of Waterford.

In this adventure, participants will learn how to estimate the distance walked and use a map and compass to determine their direction and location. These skills will be used to discover the village's

past. Furthermore, by learning how to use a compass and map, participants will have valuable tools for exploring the hills and woods of Maine.

The Waterford Library will be the starting point for our adventure on April 8 from 10:30 a.m. until noon. This session is open only to people who pre-register.

Please go to or telephone the Norway Library at 743-5309 or the Waterford Library at 583-2050 to make your reservation.

The Waterford Library "Wonders" trail will be open each year from May 1 through Thanksgiving. Other libraries in the Oxford Hills area will soon have their own "Discover the Wonders" orienteering trails.

From *U.M. Cooperative Extension*

The University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program has planned a Career Education and Aspirations program trip to New York City for middle-school youth. The project is funded by Oxford County 4-H, a grant from the National 4-H Council Workforce Development Grant with support from the NFL and JC Penney After-school Fund.

In addition, Grover Gundrilling has sponsored a behind-the-scenes tour of NBC. The program will include a Broadway show, behind-the-scenes at Yankee Stadium, the United Nations, museums, Botanical Gardens, Bronx Zoo, Empire State, Ellis Island, Statue of Liberty, and much more. Programs like these are an incredible opportunity for young people to learn about careers, gain global perspectives and learn about life in a large metropolitan area.

Oxford County 4-H has a new Youth Development fund to support future projects, trips, and programs.

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Engagements



Maxfield — Nichols

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Maxfield of Norway joyously announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Behrens Maxfield of Union, to Brian James Nichols of Jefferson, son of Phyllis Nichols of Augusta and the late James Nichols.

Laura graduated from Paris Christian Academy, Class of 2000, attended Thomas College and is currently employed by the State of Maine Department of Corrections.

Brian graduated from Erskine Academy, Class of 1997, Central Maine Technical College, Class of 1999 and is currently employed by Bond Brothers Lumber Company.

A celebration of marriage is being planned for Sept. 23, 2006.

Births

Randy and Linda Vaillancourt of Oxford are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Kadence Brianna Vaillancourt, born on March 8, 2006 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Evelyn Theriault of Fort Kent.

Paternal grandparents are Rudy and Elaine Vaillancourt of Norway.

Kadence joins sisters Heather, age 18 and Alexis, age 15 and brothers, William, age 17, Kaleb, age 12, and Taylor, age 9.

Crystal Herrick and Evan Hutchinson of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Deserae Marie Hutchinson, born on March 11, 2006 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces.

Material grandparents are Maureen and Chester Herrick of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Heidi Villacci of Bethel.

Dana White and Theresa White-Rainey of South Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, River LillyAnn White-Rainey, born on March 22, 2006 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 1 ounce.

Maternal grandparents are Tilda and Peter Kennison of Bryant Pond and Mark and Tammy Huston of Greenwood.

Paternal grandparents are Cheryl Lackee of South Paris and Danny White of Sumner.

River joins sisters Raven, 4 years old and Winter, 2 years old.

News and photos from clubs and organizations

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations. The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.

Photos: When submitting photographs, please identify the nature and date of the activity, the names of everyone shown in the photograph, and the name of the photographer.

Please also provide the name and telephone number of a contact person.

Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444.

News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

Returns: Due to the volume of material passing through our office, we regret that we cannot be responsible for unsolicited submissions.

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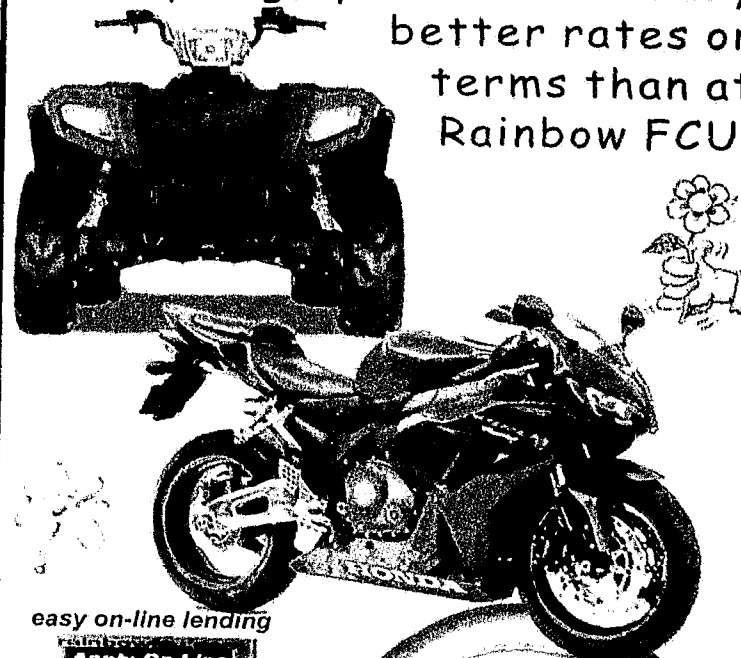
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Events Calendar

Seniors Lunch every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Reservations important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3591 or 824-3188 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels). 9 a.m. (Fridays) — Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Fare Share Food Coop, 443 Main Street, Norway. All bridge players invited to attend and bring a friend or two. Refreshments. For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-8081) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridges@megalink.net.

Free Knitting Clinic: Pattern perplexities? Needleless Needling Knitting Conundrums" Bring your knitting to Mouse and Bean, Main Street, Bethel, on Fridays at 9 a.m. FMI: call 824-2204.

7:00 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays — Morning Meditation. Come and enjoy a little free mental pick-me-up, a morning dose of "soul coffee," with Spirit Wing's free silent and instructional morning meditation sit. Call 824-2204 or just stop at Spirit Wings, 57 Main Street, Bethel (behind Mt. Mann Jewelers).

T'ai Chi Class will be held Wednesday mornings April 12 thru 26 at Toe Tappin' Jazz Dance Studio, Lower Main Street, Bethel as part of Creative Economy Education Initiative program of SAD-44. FMI and to register: call Betsey Foster at 875-2426.

Thursday, April 6

11:30 a.m. — Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens dinner/meeting at Franklin Grange Hall with dinner, the usual ham and fixings, put on by the Daughters of Union Veterans. Program: Susan Sweetser, a local lady talented in sewing, crafts, etc. All seniors welcome.

Noon — Lenten Luncheon at West Bethel Union Church hosted by Bethel United Methodist Church.

Noon to 1 p.m. — Lenten Lunch and sermon series at Deering Memorial United Methodist Church, Market Square, South Paris.

Friday, April 7

Free Movie Night put on by Telstar's National Honor Society in the school auditorium. "Chicken Little," rated G will be shown at 6 p.m. and "Just Friends," rated PG at 8 p.m. All proceeds benefit Telstar's NHS. Donations welcomed.

7 to 9 p.m. — Social Drumming Circle at SpiritWings, 57 Main Street, Bethel. Extra drums available. FMI: 824-2204.

April 7-9 Bangor Flower Show. FMI: visit www.bangor-gardenshow.com.

Saturday, April 8

Bake Sale by Albany Church at Bethel Foodliner. Proceeds for youth scholarships.

Bottle Drive by the fifth-grade class at Andover Elementary School.

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Rummage Sale by Bolsters Mills Ladies Guild at Bolsters Mills United Methodist Church.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Improving Your Photography: Using camera settings, lighting, and composition, a course by Kirk MacKnight. Place: Telstar Regional High School. Fee: \$85. Class maximum: 12. FMI: 392-1474 or e-mail info@dirkphoto.com.

10 a.m. to noon — Norway Easter Fest. Voting for People's Choice Window Decorating Contest, Main Street Egg Hunt, meet the Easter Bunny and Samantha the Skunk, crafts, stories, games and more. Public invited. FMI: Deb (743-6651) or debpart@megalink.net.

All Day — Annual Maine Garden Day Conference at Central Maine Community College, Auburn, sponsored by University of Maine Cooperative Extension. Over 30 workshops will be offered: rain gardens, starting a gardening business, butterfly gardens and backyard irrigation, etc. Pre-registration required. Cost: \$40 includes breakfast and lunch. No walk-ins. FMI or registration materials: call (800) 287-1482 or write Oxford County Extension Office, 9 Olson Road, South Paris, ME 04281.

10:30 to 12 a.m. — One Book One Community "Discovering Waterford's Wonders Through Orientering" starts at Waterford Library. Open to all who pre-register. FMI and to register: call Norway Library at 743-5309 or Waterford Library at 583-2050.

5 to 6:30 p.m. — Spaghetti Supper at First Baptist Church of Paris, Paris Hill. Admission: sug-

gested donation of \$6. Proceeds benefit Jessie King who has been chosen by People to People to be a Student Ambassador to Ireland, Wales and England. Monetary donations appreciated and may be sent to People to People Student Ambassador, c/o Jessie King, 41 Ashton Road, Norway, ME 04268.

7 p.m. — "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" will be performed at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, South Paris, directed by Robin Galley, Jennifer St. Pierre and Dick Beebe. Tickets: \$8 adults, \$5 children and seniors. Proceeds to benefit Waterford Memorial School.

7 to 10 p.m. — Square and Round Dancing at Oxford Hills Middle School, Pine Street, South Paris, sponsored by Swingin' Bears Square Dance Club. FMI: call Sue Corning at 743-7176 or Eleanor Herrick at 782-4050.

8 to 11 p.m. — Old Fashioned Dance at the Locke Mills Town Hall. Music by the Richard Felt Orchestra. Benefit of the Greenwood Historical Society. Everyone is welcome.

April 8 or 9

Bowl for Kids' Sake — Reserve your lanes in support of Big Brothers Big Sisters at Oxford Hills Bowling Center, South Paris. Form a team of four. FMI and the date: call Patricia Ann Valeriani at 743-7035 or 333-8472.

Tuesday, April 11

1:30 — Woodstock High School Alumni meeting at Alice Hoyt's, to make plans for the June 10 Alumni Banquet.

5:30 to 9:30 — Supper/Dance at American Legion Hall, Locke Mills. Menu: hot dishes, salads, pies, beverage. Music by Felt Band. Admission: \$6. FMI: 824-0564.

6 to 8 p.m. — Reiki Share Group at SpiritWings, 57 Main Street, Bethel. Open to Reiki Practitioners of all levels and lineages. FMI: 824-2204.

Wednesday, April 12

7:30 a.m. — Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce Community Networking Breakfast, hosted by Maine Mountain Heritage Network at the Sudbury Inn, Main Street, Bethel. Cost: \$7 (required by April 11). RSVP to Julia@bethelmaine.com or call 824-2282. All invited to attend.

11 a.m. — Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting at Locke Mills Legion Hall. Nancy Kimball will bring ceramic items for members to paint.

Thursday, April 13

10 a.m. — Frank Perham will be guest speaker at Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond, speaking on history of mineral mining in this area and effect on Oxford Hills area. Free and open to the public. Light refreshments.

Noon — Lenten Luncheon at West Bethel Union Church hosted by W.B. Union Church.

5:30 p.m. — Public Hearing at Telstar High School Library for 2007 Region 9 school budget.

6:30 p.m. — Team Tiara Informational Meeting at Crescent Park School, specifically for runners or walkers who would like to train for the Maine Marathon on Oct. 1. FMI: call Kate Goldberg (824-3459) or e-mail Goldberg@megalink.net.

7 p.m. — Scott Hamilton's (Olympic skating champion) annual "Stars on Ice" tour titled "A Show ... about the Show" at Cumberland County Civic Center, Portland sponsored by The J.M. Smucker Company and Smucker's Stars on Ice. Tickets: \$25 available at Cumberland Civic Center box office (775-3458), ticketmaster outlets, starsonice.com and ticketmaster.com. For group information (15 or more) call 775-3481 x 348.

Friday, April 14

7 p.m. — Holistic Film Series "Delivering Milo." Milo is supposed to be born any minute now, but he's not convinced that being in a body is where he wants to be. Run time: 94 minutes. Telstar Regional High School Library. Free. Donations gratefully accepted. Sponsored by Western Maine Holistic Health Council. FMI: 824-2204.



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Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, and \$6 for children 12 and under. Tickets are available by calling the Oddfellow Theater box office at 336-3306 Visa and Master Card accepted. The Oddfellow Theater is on Route 117 in Buckfield. For more information, visit www.oddfellow.com.

Saturday, April 15

Annual Ten Town Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by The River Valley Chamber of Commerce and Mexico Fire Department in the Rumford/Mexico Area. Sponsorships for Easter Eggs available for \$10 each. Children ages 7 and above. FMI or to make a donation: Becca at River Valley Chamber of Commerce (364-3241) or e-mail info@rivervalleychamber.com.

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. — Maine Wildlife Park, Route 26, Gray, opens. Admission: free for 3 and under; \$3.25 ages 4-12; \$5 for adults; \$4 for seniors. Bring picnic and spend the day. FMI: 657-4977 ext. 1 or online at www.maine-wildlifepark.com or www.mefishwildlife.com.

Sunday, April 16

Easter Festival (Easter Sunrise Service, Easter Egg Hunt, etc.) at Sunday River Ski Resort. FMI: call 824-3000 or visit www.sundayriver.com.

Tuesday, April 18

4 to 5:15 p.m. — "The Art of Meditation, Only a Breath Away," a workshop by Kevin Pennell, BA, Chh Reika master, explaining meditation and discussing its purpose and benefits will be held at Telstar Regional High School. Free to members of WMSC; donations will be accepted from nonmembers unless they join at time of event. FMI: call Wendy Iseman at 824-8610.

Wednesday, April 19 Sustainable Western Maine Gardening Series: Planting with Natives and Woodland Gardens with UME professor Lois Berg Stack at McLaughlin Foundation Garden, Main Street, South Paris. Members \$5, nonmembers \$7. FMI:

743-8820 or visit www.mclaughlingarden.org.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. — Lunch and Learn Seminar, "Understanding Cash Flow," sponsored by River Valley Technology Center, River Valley Growth Council and River Valley Chamber of Commerce. Cost: \$10 includes lunch. RVCC members pay \$8. Pre-payment required (no refunds), call Beverly at 369-0396 or e-mail beverly@rvcc.org by April 17.

7 p.m. — Book Discussion at Norway Library "A Place on Earth" by Wendell Berry. FMI: 743-5309.

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held. Accordingly, we strongly urge our readers to call ahead to verify the details of any event they plan to attend. Doing so will greatly reduce the chance of disappointment or needless inconvenience.

Support Services

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AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Closed Women's Speaker/Discussion Meeting. Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Step Meeting. Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church.

AI-Anon Meeting Mondays at 8pm at the Oxford Advent Christian Church (use the north side entrance of the church)

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Narconon, a nonprofit public benefit organization that specializes in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions offers FREE assessments and more than 11,000 local referrals through the 800 line. Drug addiction can be overcome and Narconon can help. Call (800) 556-8885 or visit www.drugrehab.net.

ALCOHOL & DRUG COUNSELING Alcohol and drug counseling. Saturdays at Bethel Counseling Center, 16 Parkway (Professional Building). Tom Kelly, LADC, 357-7854

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2556, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

MS SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the first Friday of the month from 1-2:30pm at the West Parish Congregational Church, next to Gould Academy. For more information, call Gale Tout at 836-2900.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Meets Tuesday in the conference room at the Mexico Congregational UCC ("The Green Church"), 153 Main Street, Mexico. Everything spoken and heard here is confidential. Anyone trying to cope with the loss of a loved one is welcome. FMI call Sue Byam at 364-8165

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

POST PARTUM SUPPORT GROUP

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

VETERANS' SERVICES (STATE/VA BENEFITS)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4841.

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 10 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9:30am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau until Easter.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 a.m. followed by coffee fellowship. All are welcome. FMI: 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Fred Loskamp. Morning worship at 10:45-noon, Sunday School, 9:30-10:30. Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:30 p.m., Rt. 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church- Pastor Kevin Bellinger (824-2289). Sundays: Sunday School for adults and children at 9am; Morning worship service at 10am; Kidz Klub (4th-5th grade) and Youth Group (6th-12th grade) at 5:30pm; Evening service at 6pm Sundays; Prayer fellowship Wednesdays at 7pm.

Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Virginia Rickeman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m. FMI call 824-0550.

Our Lady of the Snows- Mass - Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Gerald A. Levesque. 743-2606

United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

West Bethel Union - a.m. worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-2844 or 836-2882. Rev. Earl H. Bell.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. Awana Clubs. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Episcopal House Church - Holy communion service the third or fourth Sunday of every month at 4 p.m. at 38 Chapman Street. For further information, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 824-2913.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday, 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call 824-8939.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish - North Waterford Congregational Church & Stoneham Congregational Church - Sunday worship services 10 a.m. at North Waterford through winter. Five Kezars Road, off Rt 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Rev. George Froberg, 693-6461.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2851.

HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison, Maine. Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m. Church school 10:15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12. Call 583-9024 or 998-7040 for more info.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Rev. Frank Haines Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome.

MEXICO

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints- 265 Main Street. Worship service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beeckel. 364-5881.

NEWRY

Newry Community Church - Sunday worship service 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April).

Sunday River Christian Ministry- with Rev. Don Coverdale and gospel singer Cynthia Libby. On-mountain interdenominational worship service held every Sunday during ski season. 10:30 am to 11:30 am. Located in "Upper Room" of River House, South Ridge area. Come as you are, for service of peace, prayer, and praise!

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (corner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824-4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church - Route 117N, S. Paris. Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after. Sunday School at 9 a.m.

North Paris Federation- Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tynner. 674-2968. Singers perform third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Sunday services at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.; Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.; Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-8782 for more information.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's: Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11am worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Merrill Bittner, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

RUMFORD CENTER

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Sunday worship service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday prayer meeting at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday night bible study at 7:00 p.m. East Andover Rd. For more information, call 964-3856.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Pastor Frank Haines.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational- Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. 674-2965.

West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship 9:15 a.m., Bruce Tynner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45am, Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25am. Dayanette meeting first Monday of the month. Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30am. Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm, church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

West Paris Congregational Church - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Lawrence Hodgkins. Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Adult Bible Fellowship 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Kid's hour 6:30 p.m.; Prayer meeting & bible study 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

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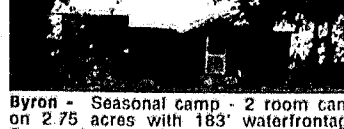
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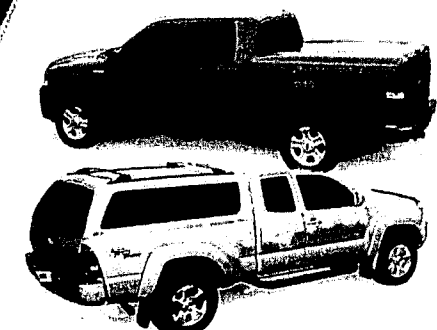
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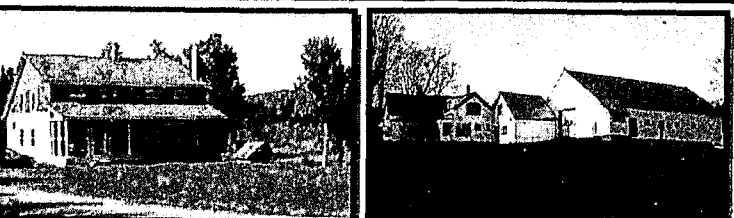
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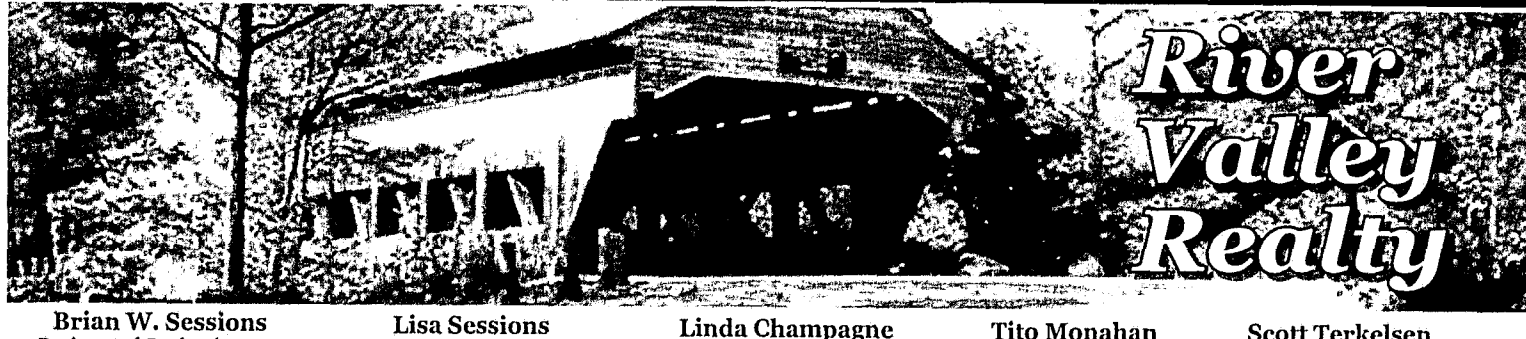
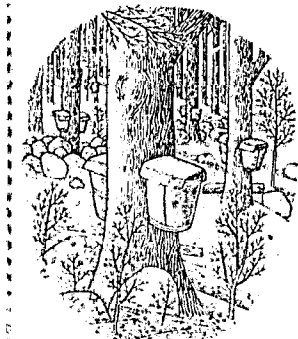
LOT #1 \$409,000 - Just completed off the Sunday River Road, half mile past Nordic Knoll in Newry, Maine. Please call for showing (603) 455-9617



Cedar Home ~ SUNDAY RIVER, MAINE
New home with spectacular views of the ski slopes of Sunday River and the White Mtns. This home, which has just been completed, is located just off Sunday River Rd. Approx. 6 miles from brew pub. Traveling on Sunday River Rd., stay right at both forks. Home is located 1/2 mile past Nordic Knoll on the Right. (RAGGED HILL RD.)
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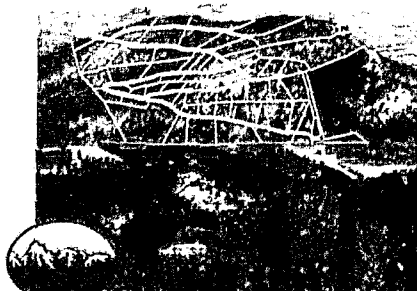
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SUNDAY RIVER ROAD, NEWRY - \$669,000
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HUTCHINSON POND ROAD, ALBANY TOWNSHIP \$510,000 Waterfront!! Beautiful three bedroom two bath fully furnished open concept log Cape situated on Hutchinson Pond with nearly two acres. 200 feet frontage with sandy beach area. Daylight basement, wrap around farmers' porch, radiant floors.



26 SALINITAS DR., NORWAY ~ \$329,000
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668 GREENWOODS ROAD, SUMNER ~ \$194,900
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51 VAIL DRIVE, POWDER RIDGE, NEWRY \$499,000
COMPLETELY FURNISHED home with open floor plan, cathedral ceiling, skylights, three bedrooms, two baths, recessed exterior deck hot tub, one car garage, views of Sunday River Ski Area. Unique decorating attractions throughout!



ROUTE 120, ANDOVER, \$144,900
ELLIS RIVER WATERFRONT! 210' river frontage on 10 acres with 24x30 one BR camp. Access to ITS and ATV trails right at your front door. Outdoor enthusiast dream property on gorgeous Maine River. Camp details: bow window, LR/FR, enclosed porch, outbuilding and more! Secluded, come see it!



NORTH ROAD, GILEAD - \$169,000
View Little Bear Mountain from this newly constructed 2005 two bedroom, 1 & 3/4 bath home, situated on 1 acre of land. Enjoy the beauty of the mountains and the Androscoggin River. Deck along entire front of the home, Master Bedroom has its own separate outside deck. Wood stove hook-up, all new appliances.

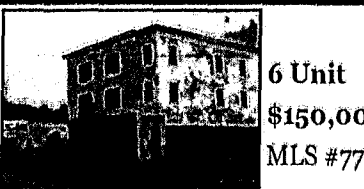


SALINITAS ESTATES, NORWAY ~ \$34,900
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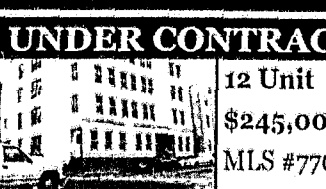


SONGO POND ROAD, ALBANY. \$49,900
Beautiful lot within minutes of Sunday River Ski area with 130' frontage on the Crooked River. Seller, PRIOR TO CLOSING, will install septic system suitable for three bedroom home, well and gravel driveway. White Mountain National Forest, Songo Pond, Sunday River Ski & Golf, Grafton Notch State Park, snowmobile trails, fishing, hunting, and hiking nearby.

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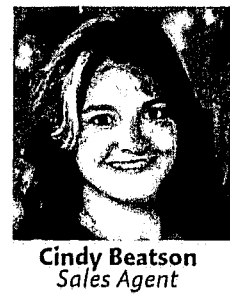
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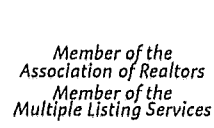


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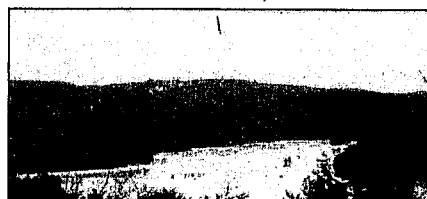
Twitchell Pond view from this split-entry across the street on Greenwood Road. 3 to 4 bed rooms, open floor plan for kitchen, dining and living rooms with cathedral ceiling, skylight and hard wood floors. 2-car detached garage w/storage. Enjoy this lake house all year long with 2 ski areas so close. **NEW LISTING \$185,000**



New Listing - Intervale Road, Bethel: Wonderful 3 Bedroom Ranch situated on a level & sunny 1 1/2-acre parcel within close proximity to both Sunday River and Mt. Abram ski resorts and only minutes to Bethel Village amenities. Constructed in 2004, this home is well maintained and in move-in condition. You're sure to enjoy its spacious living room with large windows and vaulted ceiling, eat-in kitchen with center island and adjoining laundry/utility room and master bedroom with private bath and walk-in closet. A Must See at \$119,900!!



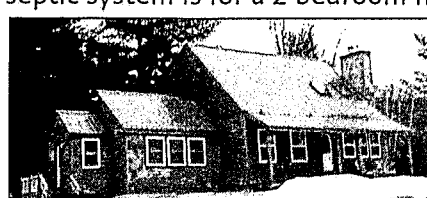
Exquisitely designed and built home with fantastic views. Wonderful open concept with abundance of windows to grant you southerly views of Lake Christopher and so much more from every room. Beautiful tiled floors with radiant heat, granite counter tops and so much more. The septic system is for a 2 bedroom home. **New Listing \$295,900**



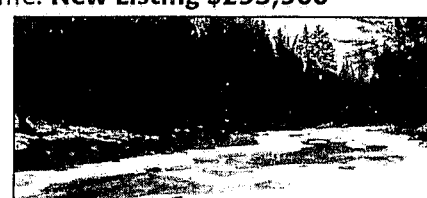
Mountain & river view from this spacious raised ranch with many updates including a gorgeous, new kitchen w/ granite topped island, cherry cabinets and all new appliances. Luxurious master bath w/deep whirlpool tub, tiled shower & radiant heat. 4 bedrms, 3 bths, finished bsmnt, fireplcs, decks and patio. Includes barn w/ 1 car garage all on 3.7 acres w/stream. **NEW PRICE \$199,000**



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Bear River frontage on Riverwood Drive, Newry: This beautiful, new home is perfect for primary or vacation living. Views of Sunday River Ski Trails from inside and out. Open floor plan for kitchen, dining & living rooms. 3 bedrooms and a separate family room w/tiled floor leading to private deck w/hot tub. **OFFERED FULLY FURNISHED FOR \$369,000**



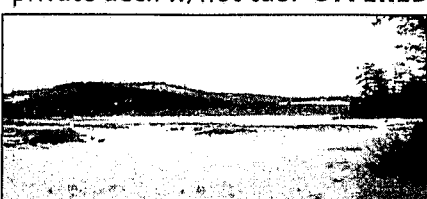
What a Ski home with 8 Bedrooms 4 Baths and Pond! This home has all the old charm and character so many of us desire. The house has recently been lovingly restored. Beautiful center staircase all the way to the third floor. Close to 2 ski areas & within walking distance to a town beach on Lake Christopher. Must see to appreciate all its great charm! **DON'T HESITATE, PRICED TO SELL AT \$299,900**



6.25 Acres on Bog Rd. in Gilead - Peaceful location on a quiet, paved road w/White Mt. National Forest and a waterfall swimming hole at the end. Views and access to snowmobile trail from lot. Boat launch on Androscoggin, skiing and hiking just minutes away. Stream on property. **ALL FOR \$65,000**



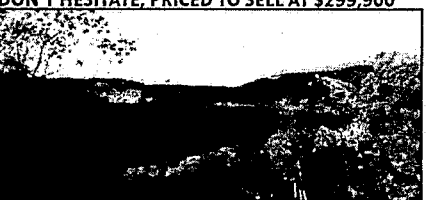
5 1/2 Acres with breathtaking western mountain views available for your building lot or to subdivide. Road frontage on both Flat Rd & Sparrow Hawk Mt Rd yet not part of that subdivision. Scattered trees in open field w/ dense tree borders. Located in West Bethel not far from everything the Bethel area has to offer. **NEW LISTING \$80,000**



10 Acre waterfront parcel on Canton Lake (Lake Androscoggin) in Hartford is just 35 miles from Bethel. Buildable & subdividable. Relax & gaze at an abundance of nature on 530' of owned waterfront w/ shore line fishing, wood ducks & cranberry bog. Additional separate 150' ROW to access lake. **JUST REDUCED TO \$79,000**



17 acres on the Androscoggin River. This farm is the perfect spot for development. Just 8 miles from Bethel Village. Perfect for your own business or start fresh here. Beautiful mountain and water views from this spot. Great place for a new condo complex. **ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES FOR \$269,000**



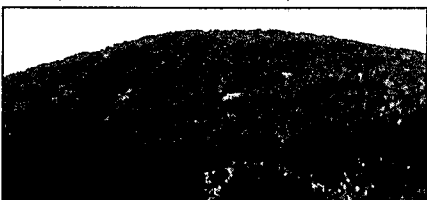
Own a piece of Eagles Nest subdivision in Woodstock. 5 Acre wooded lot with amazing views to build yourself a camp for your recreational activities. Gated subdivision for your privacy. **\$45,000**



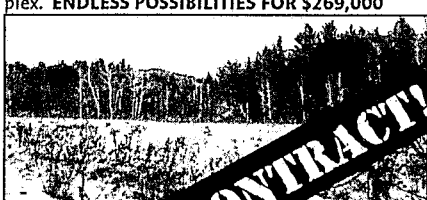
4.5 Acres on the Androscoggin River in Hanover. Own 218' of river frontage and watch eagles soar overhead. Nature abounds on this buildable lot so close to Sunday River Ski Resort. Easy access over gravel ROW owned by this parcel together with electricity at street and nice clearing make this spot ready for your home. **WHAT A FIND AT \$59,900**



Great property located just outside of Bethel Village. Walk to Village and Bethel Inn Golf Course and Resort. Minutes to skiing and surrounding activities. Development potential for 5 units with sewer and water upgrades. Slight view of Mountains & Golf Course. **\$87,500**



Great location in Bethel on East Bethel Rd just over Greenwood town line. Views of Mt Abram and close to Sunday River too. Lots are gently sloped & wooded with electricity very close on paved drive that turns to dirt road and travels into property. **ADJACENT LOTS HAVE 1.3 ACRES FOR \$41,500 AND 2 ACRES FOR \$45,000**



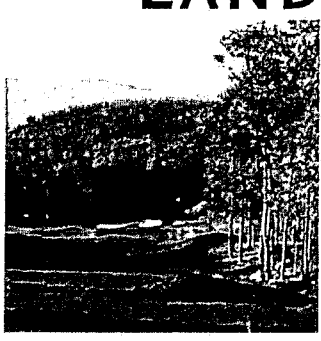
1.3 Acre lot located off of Paradise Road in Bethel. A desirable subdivision close to Bethel Village. Clearing needed on this lot. New homes now being constructed on this cul-de-sac. **YOU CAN BE THE NEXT! \$70,000**

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A limited number of house lots at the Sunday River Golf Club in the Mahoosuc Glen development are still available. These spectacular homesites offer sweeping vistas over the course and out into the Sunday River valley. This is a unique opportunity to build a true four-season vacation home with immediate access to some of the best skiing and golf in New England. To arrange a showing or get more information before the few remaining lots are sold, contact us as soon as possible at 207-824-5051 or srrealty@sundayriver.com, or stop by our office. Priced from \$195,000 to \$299,000.



West Summit Road, Woodstock: Are you looking for that private lot to build your vacation or year-round home upon yet still be within minutes to skiing, golfing, and other four season recreation? Well, look no further than this untouched 1.12+- acre parcel located in Woodstock. This wooded lot offers potential views from your front door of the surrounding mountains, plus the quiet and privacy Maine is known for. **Offered at only \$72,500**

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HOMES



Sunday River Village, Newry: Proximity is not the only highlight of this impressive Contemporary home located within walking distance to the South Ridge Base Lodge. Soaring cathedral ceilings, spacious, open living space, plenty of natural lighting from the large windows and skylights. Lounge in the airy living room or just turn the corner to the cedar paneled hot tub room, modern kitchen, with an elegant dining room, loft area, master suite with dressing room and luxurious full bath, finished basement with pool room, game room, den and wet bar. Five bedrooms, three full bathrooms, and much more! **\$695,000**

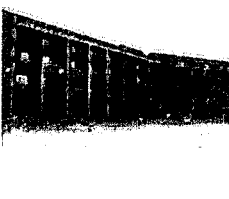
Powder Ridge, Newry: "You're not in Kansas anymore" becomes obvious from the moment you drive onto this beautiful property. Spectacular custom built log home on a quiet cul-de-sac, w/panoramic views of Sunday River. Hot tub, L.R. deck, master BR w/fireplace, game room, & guest rooms. This home offers it all: stone fireplaces, 10' ceilings, media room, large fully equipped exercise room, professional kitchen, poolroom w/championship table, game room w/wet bar, radiant heat & three car heated garage. Offers proximity to great skiing, 18 hole championship golfing, swimming, fly fishing & a myriad of other area amenities & activities, this is the home for that discerning buyer looking for a 4-season lodge in the mountains of Maine. **Call for More Details.**



NEW LISTING!

Coombs Village: Quiet, convenient, located less than 1 mile from South Ridge Base Lodge at Sunday River Ski Resort is this contemporary w/turn-of-the-century exterior nestled quietly under the pines. Wraparound farmers porch expands the living space to outdoor entertaining, while inside the vaulted pine ceiling throughout the great room adds spaciousness w/added warmth from the fireplace. Open granite countertop kitchen plan w/breakfast bar. The master suite, w/wooroom walk-in closet & private bath, is on the 1st floor for privacy & convenience. Upstairs find 2 vaulted BRs & full bath. This 1,600+- sq ft home boasts quality handcrafted wood-working throughout. Ready to head up to the mountain? Just pick up your gear, walk a few yards & the free Mountain Explorer shuttle will pick you up & drop you off at South Ridge Base Lodge! Offered at only \$429,900, this is definitely a must see quality home at an affordable price.

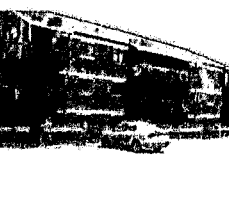
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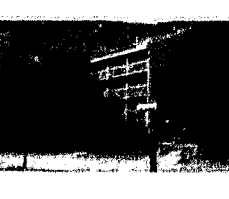
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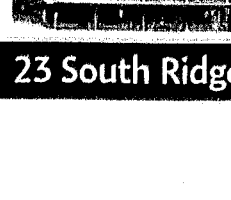
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Gore Rd, Woodstock: This sunny & cheerful 2 yr old home sits on a scenic 7 acre setting with woods, fields, views & a fabulous brook! 3BR's, 2 1/2 baths, cathedral ceilings, granite island, lots of large windows, a big screened porch, deck, jacuzzi tub & lots more! You'll be captivated by the beauty of the land & acreage and also by the charm of this new home location is easily accessible from major routes and "on the way" to all recreational and ski resorts in the area. Additional acreage available. \$289,900

Dickvale Rd, Peru: Charming 3BR home on a babbling brook, with a garage in a nice neighborhood! A great wrap around covered porch & nice back yard will give you plenty of room for relaxing and playing. This home offers a spacious kitchen w/separate dining room and sunny living room. A finished family room with direct access to the back yard is located in the daylight basement. Call us to view this property today! \$79,900

Hill Hill, Rumford: Spectacular house w/outstanding mtn views on 8 acres! High quality on every level, this great wrap around covered porch & nice back yard will give you plenty of room for relaxing and playing. This home offers a spacious kitchen w/separate dining room and sunny living room. A finished family room with direct access to the back yard is located in the daylight basement. Call us to view this property today! \$79,900

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Paradise Rd, Bethel: Nice, high quality 3BR, 2 full bath double wide ranch home, only 5 yrs. young, in a preferred neighborhood of Bethel! Spacious living areas, eat in kitchen, separate dining room, master bedroom suite with jacuzzi tub, first floor laundry, all on a full acre. Located just down the road from downtown Bethel, dining, shopping, golf and, of course, only minutes from the slopes of Sunday River. You can't go wrong at this price! \$137,900

Washington St, Rumford: This well maintained sturdy home with two full floors has the space of a two family combined into one large, pleasant home! Features include: 2nd floor, vinyl replace, new windows, aluminum siding, new laminate, paved driveway, pleasant front porch and a convenient motor location all add up to an incredible bargain for the price. Lots of space for a large family, or great potential for rental income. Come take the grand tour. \$79,900

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Patch Mountain Rd, Greenwood: Spectacular views of Fitchell Pond and 230 feet of WATERFRONT! Here's your chance to own a 4BR ranch home on over 4 acres of beautiful pond frontage. Interior renovations with a new kitchen & bathroom are currently underway, so come have a look. Please contact us by the pond, or by phone. This property is excellent, but you won't want to miss it. Call us today! \$299,900

Off Chandler Hill, Bethel: The location of HIDE-A-WAY HILLS subdivision can't be beat! Minutes off of Rte. 26 and just a couple miles from Bethel Village, these lots offer a perfect setting! With views of the surrounding mountains, including Mt. Abram Skiway, a home built nestled in the trees would make a fantastic primary or secondary residence. \$55,000 & up

MOODY MTN, WOODSTOCK: Premier building lot that overlooks North Pond! This 6.2 acre parcel has absolutely stunning lake & mountain views, all of North Pond, Mt. Abram Ski Slopes and the Western Mt. ranges! You can't go wrong with a lot of this splendor. Within 10 minutes of Bethel village. \$89,900

INTERVALE RD, BETHEL: Hard to find a better location than this! Walking distance to downtown Bethel with all it has to offer, including golf, shopping, and casual and fine dining, while being only minutes to Sunday River and Mt. Abram ski resort. This lot is surveyed and already has a completed septic design and approved building permit! A slightly sloping grade makes construction perfect for a daylight basement. \$79,900

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Upton Rd, Andover: With room for a growing family and direct entry from the house to a 2 car garage, you should definitely come and tour this home. You'll love the kitchen and living room and you'll see unlimited possibilities in the new, separate family/recreation room of needs, a few finishing touches. Nine Andover acres, a great location, a great price, so call us for a showing today. \$129,500

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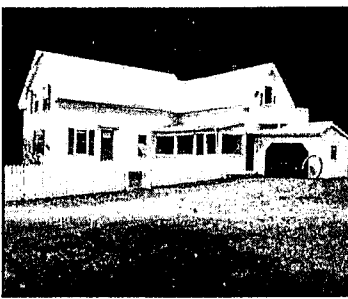
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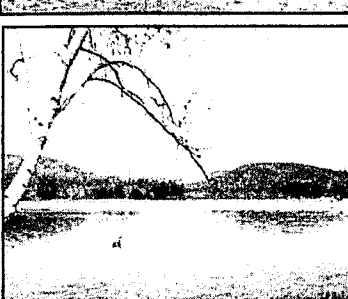
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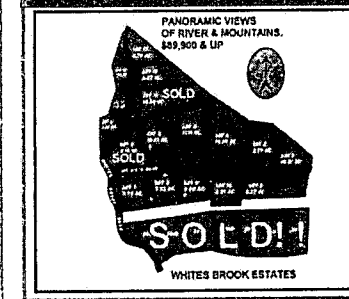


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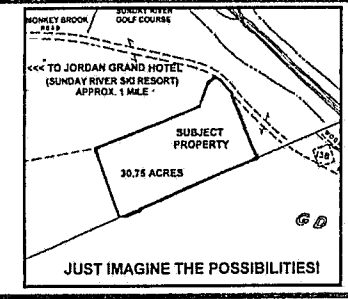


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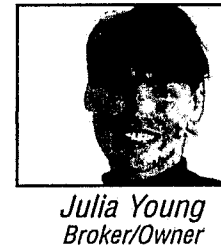
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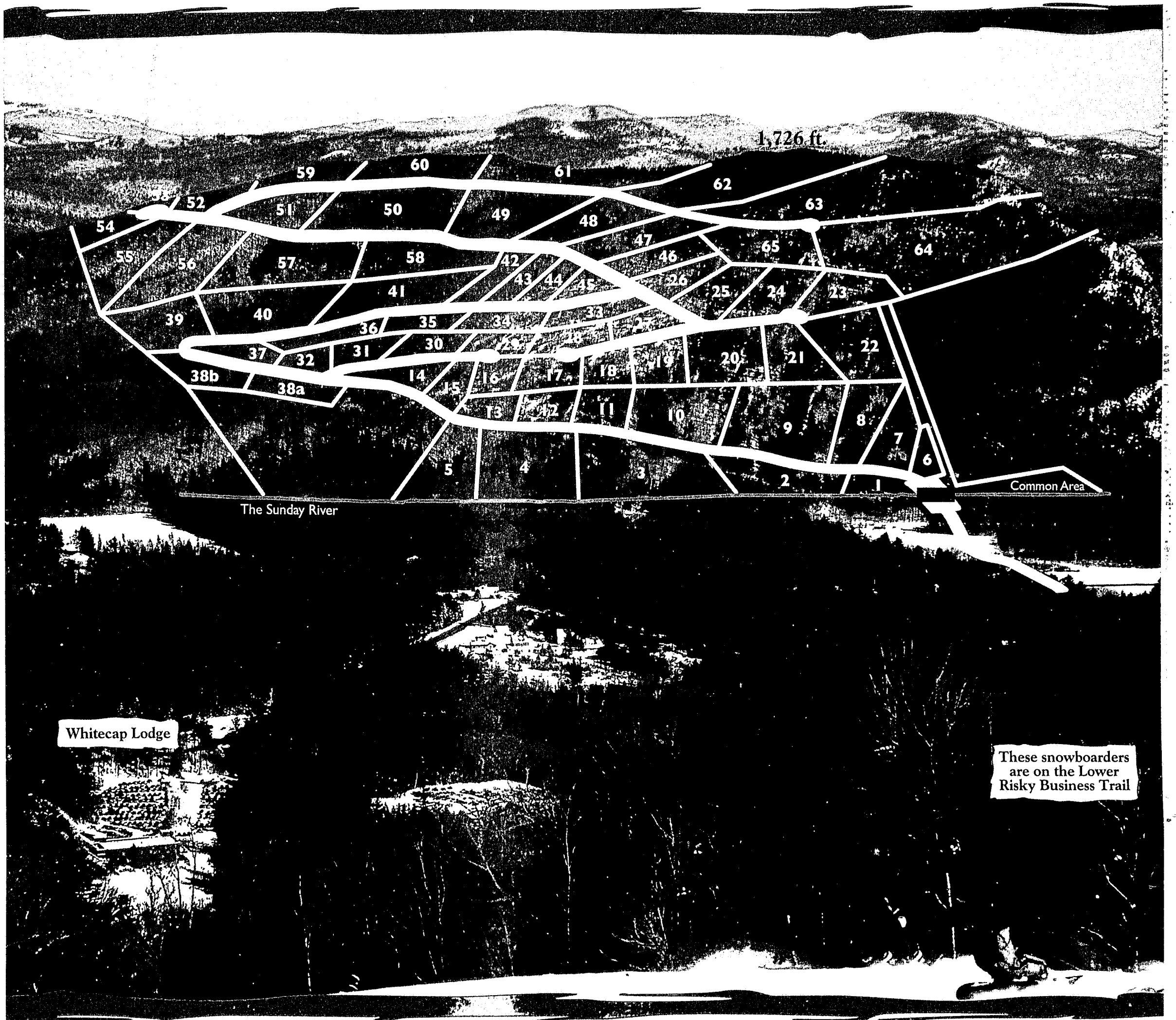
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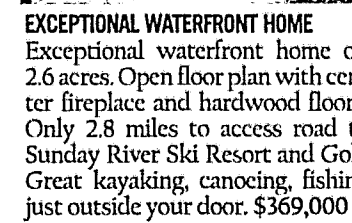
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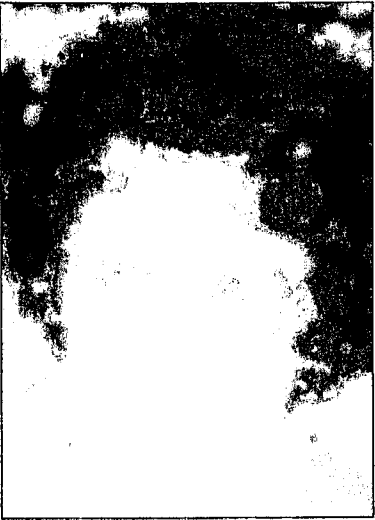
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Obituaries



GRACE B. BARTLETT
Grace B. Bartlett, 86, of Rumford, died Wednesday, March 29, 2006 in Rumford.
She was born April 3, 1919, the daughter of John A. and Williamina (O'Leary) Nowlin. She was educated in Bethel schools and had been a homemaker most of her life. She had a passion for interior decorating, loved to garden, music and dancing. She was married to Howard Farnum, and after a divorce she married Raymond Bartlett, who died May 29, 1989.
She is survived by four sons, Keith Bartlett of Bethel, Wendall Farnum of Rumford, Wayne Farnum of Roxbury and Webster Farnum of Jay; six daughters, Betty Kinghorn of East Hartford, Conn., Carol Ann Noyes of Peru, Gloria LeBlond of Dixfield, Glenice Russo of Nahant, Mass., Loretta Farnum of Battle Ground, Wash., and Gwendolyn Fontenault of Conway, N.H.; two brothers, Clyde Nowlin of Harrison and Kenneth Nowlin of Harrison; four sisters, Eva Lane of Rumford, Florence Mor-

gan of Bethel, Barbara Casey of Mexico and Lottie Knowles of Dixfield; many grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a son, Walter Farnum; a daughter, Crystal Perry; three brothers, Carl Nowlin, John Nowlin and Raymond Nowlin; and two sisters, Marjorie Nowlin and Rena Powers.
Funeral services were held at the Greenleaf Funeral Home, Bethel, with the Rev. Lloyd Waterhouse officiating. Spouse burial will be in the North Bridgton Cemetery. Memorials in Grace's memory are requested to the Rumford Community Home, 11 JFK Lane, Rumford, ME 04276.
HOLGER V. PULKKINEN
Holger V. Pulkkinen, of South Paris, United States Navy retired, died March 29, 2006 at Market Square Health Care Center, after a courageous battle with ALS.
He was born in South Paris, on April 10, 1929, to Joe and Lula Pulkkinen. He served his country with pride as a member of the United States Navy. On May 1, 1955, he married Patricia Wood of Norway, with whom he had shared his life for over 50 years.
In addition to serving on the USS St. Paul and the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt, one of the highlights of his military career in Naval Aviation was being stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba with Pat and their three young children. Always energetic and active, he was still "Navy trim" enough to wear his wedding suit to the couple's 50th anniversary celebration given by their children last May.
After 20 years in the Navy, he and Pat settled on the Hooper Ledge Road, where he built the family home and workshops. He landscaped his property into a beautiful "estate," complete with a pond stocked with fish and extensive stonework adorning the property. He was also a gentleman farmer and produced large high-bush blueberry crops. He developed a "handyman business" in the local area until his retirement from that second career in 1994.

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We would like to thank everyone that has helped us during Joe's surgery and hospital stay and since we have come home. The food, cards, phone calls, and visits have been a great help. We are taking one day at a time in hopes he will be back and running in two months.
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A special thank you to my family: Alfred and Sharon and family, Donny and Debbie, and Willie and Patty.
A special thank you to my great friends: Herb and Bev, and Dick and Grace.
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Joe & Freda

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I want to thank Dr. Kevin Finley, the nurses and staff of the Bethel Health Center for all the care and compassion they gave to myself and my husband during his illness.

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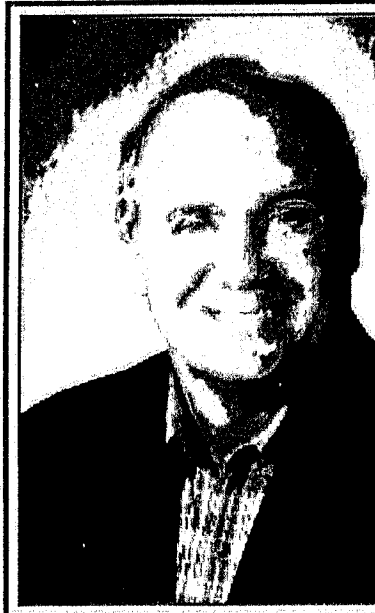
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In tribute to his Finnish heritage, he was a master baker of Nissu, and family and friends enjoyed this special sweet treat often. A man with many interests, he was an avid pool player and had many local friends with whom he played.
He is survived by his wife, Pat of South Paris; a daughter, Jody Pulkkinen of Norway; a son, Joel and wife Linda of Woodstock; a daughter, Joan and husband Jim Blackwell of Riverview, Fla.; six grandchildren; and two step-grandchildren; his mother and sister of Fitchburg, Mass.; and two nieces.
Family and friends were invited to attend a celebration of Holger's life on Saturday, April 1, at Oxford Hills Funeral Services, Oxford, with the Rev. Donald Mayberry officiating. Interment will be in the King Hill Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in Mr. Pulkkinen's memory may be sent to Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice, 15 Strawberry Avenue, Lewiston, ME 04240.

DANIEL A. COULOMBE
Daniel A. Coulombe, 42, of Lisbon died unexpectedly at his home Wednesday, March 29, 2006.
He was born in Lewiston on March 31, 1963, a son of Ronald and Lorraine Coulombe. He graduated from Telstar Regional High School in Bethel and then went on to graduate on the dean's list with a masonry degree from N.M.V.T.I.
He was the owner of Dan's Quality Masonry and took great pride in his work. Dan was a great outdoorsman; he enjoyed hunting fishing, pinocchio and horseshoes. He was always willing to help anyone at anytime. He was a generous and loving man. There will be a big void to everyone who loved him. He will always be remembered for his big smile.

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He will be forever missed by his family; sons, Joe McCarthy and Chris Coulombe; parents, Ronald and Lorraine Coulombe; companion, Terri Mason and her children, Sean and Ashley; brother, Rick and wife Brandy, and children Kara, Sam, Dustin and Cassi; brother, Randy and his wife, Jessica, and their children Eric, Ashley and Wade; Memere Ann Pontbriand; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. He was predeceased by his "Peper," Arthur Pontbriand; Nana and Grandpa Georgetown; Roland Coulombe and Greatmemere Bouchard, who he shared a special bond with. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.
Funeral services were held at Holy Trinity Church Monday, April 3. Committal was at St. Peter's Cemetery. Those wishing to make donations in his name may do so to: The American Heart Association, 343 Gorham Road, South Portland, ME 04106.

RUPERT A. ELLIOTT
Rupert A. Elliott, 86, died Friday, March 31, 2006 at his residence in Rumford Point.
He was born in St. Albans on Oct. 30, 1919, a son of Alwyn and Celia (Abbott) Elliott. He was a graduate of Stephens High School in Rumford. He was in the U.S. Navy during World War II from 1943 to 1945, serving in the South Pacific. He worked for the Rumford Falls Power Co. for more than 20 years as an electrical maintenance man, and was also a self-employed woodsman.
He was a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Rumford Point Congregational Church. He also played baseball for the Rumford Point CAA and the Dixfield Dixies. He was an avid fisherman and hunter and he loved the outdoors. He was musically gifted and sang in numerous groups and played trumpet for a dance band in the 1950s.
He was married in Rumford Point on June 8, 1940, to the late S. Louise Elliot who died in Rumford on April 23, 1995.
Survivors include two sons, J. Robert Elliott of Woodstock and A. Harris Elliott and his wife Emily of Errol, N.H.; a daughter, Janice Hillman and her husband George of Windham; daughter-in-law, Kaye Elliott of Rumford Center; nine grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Ruby Springer. He was predeceased by a son, James R. Elliott; and 12 brothers and sisters.
Friends are invited to call at the Meader & Son Funeral

Home, 3 Franklin Street, Rumford on Saturday, April 8, from 3 to 5 and 6 to 8 p.m. Those who desire, may contribute to the Rumford Point Congregational Church, c/o Dorothy Adams, Box 65, Hanover, ME 04237 in his memory. Online condolences and shared memories may be expressed at meaderfh@gwi.net.



DR. KENNETH A. GLUCK
Dr. Kenneth A. Gluck, MD, 66, died Saturday, April 1, 2006 at the Lahey Clinic in Burlington, Mass., due to complications of Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, a genetic disorder that can cause liver and lung disease.
Dr. Gluck was born in Youngstown, Ohio, on June 27, 1939 and graduated from Cuyahoga Falls High School in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, in 1957. He graduated with a major in biology from Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio, in 1961. He then went on to graduate from Ohio State University College of Medicine and Public Health in 1966. While there, he met and married his wife of nearly 42 years, Yvonne.
Following his internship at the Maine Medical Center in Portland, Dr. Gluck served as a captain in the United States Air Force for two years at Scott Air Force Base in Belleville, Ill. After his service to his country, he moved with his family to Bridgton, where they had previously summered. He began his family practice in Bridgton in the fall of 1969.
Dr. Gluck was an "old time" doctor, taking care of entire families, delivering babies and making house calls. He served as Chief of Staff, Chief of Obstetrics and on the Board of Directors of the Northern Cumberland Hospital at different times throughout his career.
He was founder of the Physicians Hospital Organization at Northern Cumberland Hospital.
Dr. Gluck was an active member of the Bridgton Lions Club since 1972, serving as King Lion in 1973 and again in 2002-2003. The Lions Club

named him a Melvin Jones Fellow in 1998, which acknowledges an individual's outstanding dedication to humanitarian service. The Lions Club added a diamond pin, their highest award, to Dr. Gluck's award in 2006. The Bridgton Rotary Club honored Dr. Gluck with a Paul Harris Fellowship in appreciation of tangible and significant assistance given for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations among peoples of the world.
Dr. Gluck leaves behind his wife, Yvonne, of Bridgton; a daughter, Christy and her boyfriend Ed Aiken of Hanover; a son, David and his wife Susan and their son Theodore all of Lyman; and nephews, Kenneth and Karl Gluck; and a niece Kathy.
A memorial service will be held at the St. Josephs Catholic Church, Bridgton, on Saturday, April 8, at 10 a.m. with the Revs. Joseph Daniels and Richard Bennett officiating. Memorial donations may be made to: The Alpha-1 Foundation, 2937 SW 27th Avenue, Suite 302, Miami, FL 33133 or online at alphaone.org.

EDNA E. WHITE
Mrs. Edna E. White, 95, died Monday, April 3, 2006 at the Ledgeview Living Center in West Paris. She was a resident of East Andover.
Born in Barney Brook, Nova Scotia, Canada she was a daughter of Ernest and Eva (Woodworth) Spares. She attended schools in Andover.
She was a member of the Calvary Bible Church where she was very active. She enjoyed the outdoors especially fishing and flower gardening.
She was married in Andover, on May 21, 1928 to the late Chesley W. White, who died in East Andover on Sept. 15, 1982.
Survivors include two sons, Ronald White of East Andover and Russell White and his wife Viola of Ashland, Va.; a sister, Mrs. Elsie Arsenault of Tewksbury, Mass.; 10 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a daughter, Mrs. Shirley Parkman; a grandson, Matthew White; and a sister, Etta Spares.
Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 6, at the Calvary Bible Church in South Andover. Interment will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Andover. Those who desire may contribute to the Calvary Bible Church, 1063 South Main Street, Andover, ME 04216 in her memory. Online condolences and shared memories may be expressed at meaderfh@gwi.net.

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